

The Korean Conflict: What is it? What should be done?

Engage

First, travel to [this link](#).

Explore

Create a folder in your Google Drive and label it **Korean Conflict** with your last name. ***Korean Conflict Sturtevant*** Share this folder with me and the others in your group.

Part 1: The History

We have to first learn about the Korean Conflict. Here's a basic [video](#) that everyone needs to watch. This will be the starting point.

Next, conduct some group research. Create a ***Part 1 Questions doc***. Copy and paste the prompts below. Work as group to answer these questions and include your findings on this doc. Create at least 4 bullet points that answer the question you selected. Under each bullet point, compose a thorough explanation. This explanation must be at least 3 sentences and should be more! Include 2 citations, only one of which may be *Wikipedia*.

- What took place in Korea for the first half of the 20th Century?
- What happened to Korea after WWII?
- Why did the Korean War start?
- How did the fighting end?

Create copies of the ***Korean Conflict Characters doc***. Focus on the 2 characters that pertain to your nation. Here are the characters:

1. Kim Il-sung (NK)
2. Kim Jong-un (NK)
3. General Douglas MacArthur (Japan)
4. Vladimir Putin (Russia)

5. Joseph Stalin (Soviet Union)
6. Mao Tse-tung (China)
7. Moon Jae-in (South Korea)
8. Syngman Rhee (South Korea)
9. Shinzō Abe (Japan)
10. Harry Truman (USA)
11. Donald Trump (USA)
12. Xi Jinping (China)

Part 2: The Present

Read this [article](#) on what could happen if war in Korea starts. There's also a video...PLEASE WATCH IT! Here is another informational [video](#) with outstanding graphics. Next, conduct some group research. Create a ***Part 2 Questions doc***. Copy and paste the prompts below. Create at least 4 bullet points that answer the question you selected. Under each bullet point, compose a thorough explanation. This explanation must be at least 3 sentences and should be more! Include 2 citations, only one of which may be *Wikipedia*.

- Why is North Korea a threat?
- Are there any nations allied with, or can at least influence North Korea?
- What war would in Korea in 2017 be like?

Explain

Make certain you share your ideas with your group. Your group folder should include:

Part 1 Questions doc
Korean Conflict Characters doc
Part 2 Questions doc

Elaborate

Now that we have our background information, we'll verbalize our findings in a Socratic seminar. A Socratic seminar is where half the class sits in the inner-circle and debates, elaborates positions, formulates theories, and asks questions to other students sitting in the inner-circle. For this seminar, you'll be in character. Please embrace your assigned roles. You're not a freshman at Big Walnut, but an old dude arguing about Korea. The circles only last for 10 minutes a piece. You need to come prepared to get your points in quickly! Below are guiding prompts and expectations for each circle:

Circle 1 The Korean Conflict of 1950:

- Engage in a little self promotion when you introduce yourself
- Explain why the war just started
- Explain what your nation intends to do about it
- Accuse other nations of wrongdoing
- Ask other nations tough questions
- Cite the preparation material
- Say something!

Circle 2 The Korean Situation in 2017:

- Engage in a little self promotion when you introduce yourself
- Explain why you're concerned about war starting
- Explain what your nation intends to do about it
- Accuse other nations of wrongdoing
- Ask other nations tough questions
- Cite the preparation material
- Say something!

Students in the outer-circle will listen silently while they complete an evaluation sheet.

Complete this [rubric](#) which evaluates your performance and your classmates.

Evaluate