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## The Korean War

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1. Read "The Inside Story" on page 483. Where did the first American troops in Korea come from?
2. Also in "The Inside Story": Why do you think the North Koreans were able to quickly push the American troops aside?
3. Which neighboring countries have held a strong influence over the Korean people?
4. What did the Allies agreed at the Yalta Conference should happen to Korea after the war?
5. How did North Korea come under Soviet control?
6. How did North and South Korea differ?
7. Why did North Korea invade South Korea on June 25, 1950?
8. Why was President Truman committed to helping South Korea?
9. Why was the UN Security Council able to vote unanimously to use force in Korea?
10. Why was Truman reluctant to send American ground troops to Korea?

11. How many nations contributed to the UN police action against Korea?
12. Why do you think soldiers were told that the port city of Pusan needed to be held at all costs?
13. What were the disadvantages for the UN in attacking at Inchon?
14. Why was the Inchon landing important/how was it a success?
15. What happened as a result of MacArthur's decision to try to take all of North Korea?
16. What did MacArthur think the U.S. should do at the beginning of 1951? What actually happened?
17. What was the public reaction when President Truman fired General MacArthur?
18. Do you think President Truman made the right decision to fire MacArthur? Why or why not?
19. What are at least two reasons why negotiations for peace dragged on for so long?
20. How many soldiers were lost from the United States in Korea? From the UN? From the Communist countries?
21. What do you think did the Korean War accomplished? (do not say "nothing")