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**Korea: And Then There Were Two**

 After reading the provided article and reviewing the pictures, timelines, maps, and charts contained within, respond to the following questions. Be sure to use and describe as much specific detail from the article as you can in your responses.

1. What is the thesis or “main idea” of this article?
2. What specific evidence is used to support the main idea? (Describe at least 3)
3. Describe Korea’s experience with occupation under Japan between 1910 and 1945. What was Japan trying to accomplish?
4. Explain the significance of the 38th Parallel. What forces were in power on either side of that boundary? What actions were taken by those forces to maintain control of their part of Korea? (be specific)
5. In 1948 the UN held elections to create a new national government for all of Korea. How did those elections turn out? Why did they not solve the “two Koreas” problem? Explain.
6. What effect did the 1950 invasion of South Korea by the North have? How did the US respond?
7. Describe the Korean War. What was the battle like for American servicemen?
8. Compare North and South Korea today. How are they similar and different?
9. Identify the following concepts/figures:
	1. 38th Parallel
	2. “puppet regime”
	3. Kim Il Sung
	4. General Douglas MacArthur
	5. Armistice
	6. DMZ