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“God created war so that Americans could learn geography.”

~ Mark Twain

**Korean War Essentials**

Ch. 26, Sec. 2 (10 Points) - Complete Sentences

1. What country ruled North Korea until 1945? (Hint:  it was an Asian Imperial Power).
2. In terms of their **political systems**, how were South and North Korea different prior to US involvement?

1. Which nation invaded the other to start the conflict?
2. Who was prepared to back the aggressor with aircraft and financing?
3. Which U.S. president did not ask for a declaration of war from Congress?

1. **Which side did the United States support** in the Korean Conflict?
2. Who was the famous American General the coordinated the South Korean offensive?
3. How did President Truman and General MacArthur differ in their **war plans**?
4. What happened to **General MacArthur**?
5. How did the American public react to this?
6. How did the Korean War end?
7. What **latitude parallel** divides the North and South Koreans to this very day?

The world has turned over many times since I took the oath at West Point, and the hopes and dreams have long since vanished, but I still remember the refrain of one of the most popular barracks ballads of that day which proclaimed most proudly that *old soldiers never die; they just fade away*.

--General Douglas MacArthur, farewell speech to Congress, April 19, 1951