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KOREAN WAR STUDY GUIDE

In the T Chart, list key differences between North and South Korea in 1950

	NK	SK
Leaders		
Governments Types		
Allies in the War		
Nation in charge of them after WWII		

1. Define Key Terms:

-Pusan Perimeter:

-Inchon Landing:

-Yalu River:

-38th Parallel:

2. Why did the Korean War begin?

3. What role did McArthur play in the war?

4. What expectation did the United States have going into the war?

5. Why did the war last three years?

6. Is McArthur to blame for the length of the war or the Chinese?

7. What experiences did American soldiers have in the war and how did they react to home life after they returned home?

8. What experience did black soldiers have in the war? Did life change for them at home after the war?

9. What was the dividing line between North and South Korea after World War Two?

10. Why did North Korea cross the 38th Parallel and invade South Korea?

11. Who led the UN Forces and what was his major mistake in the war?

12. Describe the role of the UN in the Korean War.

13. What were the key differences between the first year of the Korean War and the last years of the war?

14. The last two years of the Korean War were characterized by which of the following?

15. What was significant about the Korean War in terms of the use of nuclear weapons and the policy of containment?

16. Was strategic bombing effective during the Korean War?

17. Explain why negotiations to end the Korean War go on for so long.

18. Was the Korean War an international war or a Civil War?

19. What did the war mean to Korea?

20. How did the war impact Koreans?

21. Did the war impact North Korea differently than it impacted South Korea?

22. What damage did the war cause to cultural monuments?

23. What did North Korea do to rebuild after the war? What did South Korea do?

24. Why did North Korea refuse to sign the treaty?

25. What impact does the war have upon U.S. diplomacy within North and South Korea today?

26. What lasting impact does the war have upon Koreans today?

27. Why has the Korean War often been called America's "forgotten war"?