The Cold War Gets Hot: The Korean War

The U.S. gained possession of Korea after WWII from Japan.

The U.S. and Russia partition Korea at the 38th parallel

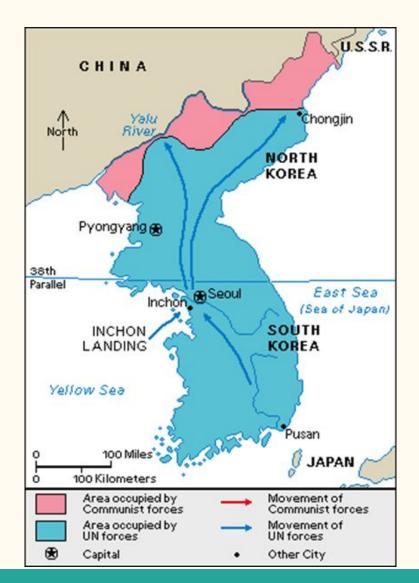
- -Russia controls North Korea
- -The U.S. controls South Korea



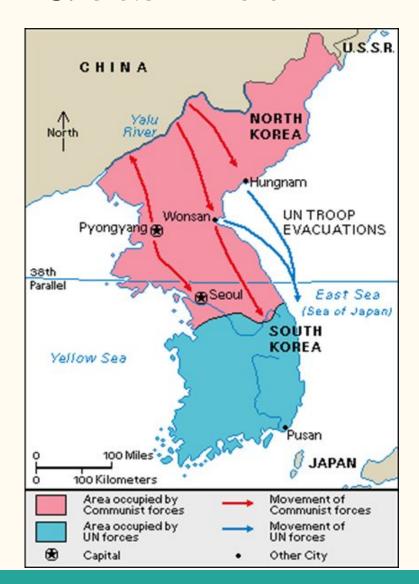
- -N. Korea invades S. Korea
- -The U.S. did not want another country to be communist.
- -June 27, 1950 U.N. members met to support South Korea
- -General Douglas MacArthur led U.N. forces into South Korea



North Koreans
driven out of South
Korea at one point,
and North Korean
Capital captured

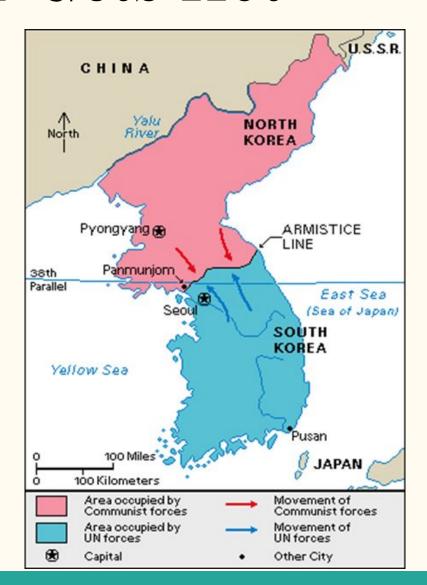


Chinese came in from the North and drove the U.N. forces out.



July 27, 1953, 2 sides signed cease fire agreement, war ended in stalemate

MacArthur wanted ground and air attacks on China, Truman refused, MacArthur lost his position after speaking out against Truman



After three years of fighting 2 countries remained divided by 38th parallel

Today:

- North Korea is aCommunist Dictatorship
- South Korea is a CapitalistDemocracy



