

## CHAPTER 8 | LESSON 4 Korea and Southeast Asia

## Geography Practice

### The Korean Peninsula

Korea is a peninsula in East Asia. It is surrounded on three sides by bodies of water. To the north is China, the world's most populous country. Japan, another populous East Asian country, is located to the southeast.

The Korean Peninsula is divided into two small and compact countries. North Korea occupies the northern half of the peninsula, while South Korea is located on the southern half. North Korea is slightly larger than South Korea—46,609 square miles to 38,022 square miles. But South Korea's population is greater, about 47 million people to around 21 million in North Korea. Both countries are mainly mountainous. The map below shows the location of the Korean Peninsula in East Asia and its physical relationship to its neighbors, China and Japan.



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**PRACTICE**

1. Color in the countries of North Korea, South Korea, China, and Japan, using different colored pencils.

2. What geographic feature separates North Korea from China?

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3. The two countries are divided politically at approximately what line of latitude?

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4. About how many miles of water separate the Korean Peninsula from Japan at their nearest point?

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5. What body of water is to the west of the Korean Peninsula?

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**APPLY**

6. Find the capitals of North Korea and of South Korea. How would you describe their physical locations?

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