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## Level 3

### Two Koreas to share flag for Winter Olympics

20th January, 2018

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# THE ARTICLE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1801/180120-winter-olympics.html>

South and North Korea have agreed to use the same flag at next month's Winter Olympics. The Olympics will take place between the 9th and 25th of February in the South Korean city of PyeongChang. Many people were worried about what might happen when the North Korean team attended the games. Tensions between the two countries have been very high recently because North Korea has tested many missiles. However, there have been high-level talks between the North and the South. Both sides have decided to use a "unified Korea" flag at the games. In addition, they agreed to enter a joint ice hockey team. This cooperation could mean that relations between the two countries could be improving.

The thaw in relations between the two countries could open the door for more peace talks. The Korean peninsula has been divided since the 1950-53 Korean War. In the past few decades, there have been many attempts at improving ties between the two. The Winter Olympics could help this. The games mean the cross-border road will open for the first time in two years. However, not all Koreans are happy with this news. Tens of thousands of people have signed online petitions asking President Moon Jae-in to forget about the plan. South Korea's hockey coach is not happy because he said a united hockey team could damage South Korea's chances of winning a medal.

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# WARM-UPS

**1. WINTER OLYMPICS:** Students walk around the class and talk to other students about Winter Olympics. Change partners often and share your findings.

**2. CHAT:** In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

South Korea / North Korea / Winter Olympics / tensions / high-level talks / ice hockey  
thaw / relations / peninsular / online petition / hockey / damage / chances / medal

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

**3. PEACE:** Students A **strongly** believe the Winter Olympics can bring peace between North and South Korea; Students B **strongly** believe the opposite. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

**4. IMPROVED RELATIONS:** How can North and South Korea improve their relations? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

|                    | What to do | How much it would help |
|--------------------|------------|------------------------|
| Sport              |            |                        |
| Music              |            |                        |
| Open border        |            |                        |
| Trade              |            |                        |
| Presidential talks |            |                        |
| Cultural exchanges |            |                        |

**5. MEDAL:** Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "medal". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

**6. OLYMPICS EVENTS:** Rank these with your partner. Put the best at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- curling
- cross-country skiing
- figure skating
- ski jumping
- speed skating
- slalom skiing
- ice hockey
- bobsleigh

# VOCABULARY MATCHING

## Paragraph 1

- |                |   |
|----------------|---|
| 1. agreed      | a. A weapon that flies through the air to hit buildings or cities.        |
| 2. attended    | b. Make or become united or whole.  |
| 3. recently    | c. Had the same opinion as someone else about doing something.            |
| 4. missiles    | d. The way in which two or more things or people are joined or connected. |
| 5. unified     | e. Went to an event, meeting or function.                                 |
| 6. cooperation | f. At a time in the past that was not long ago.                           |
| 7. relations   | g. The process of working together for the same reason.                   |

## Paragraph 2

- |               |   |
|---------------|---|
| 8. thaw       | h. A written request signed by many people to ask the government to change or stop something. |
| 9. peninsular | i. Make something friendlier and less angry.  |
| 10. divided   | j. An area of land almost surrounded by water or sticking out into an ocean, sea or lake.     |
| 11. decades   | k. Making or becoming better.   |
| 12. improving | l. A period of ten years.   |
| 13. border    | m. Split or separated into two or more parts.   |
| 14. petitions | n. The line between two countries, cities, towns, etc.  |

# BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1801/180120-winter-olympics.html>

**1. TRUE / FALSE:** Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

- a. The Koreans agreed to share the same flag at the 2022 Winter Olympics. **T / F**
- b. The next Olympics will be held in a city in South Korea. **T / F**
- c. Relations have been strained recently due to North Korean missile tests. **T / F**
- d. There will be a joint Korean ice hockey team at the Winter Olympics. **T / F**
- e. The article says there has been a thaw in relations between the Koreans. **T / F**
- f. The Koreans became divided before a war that started in 1950. **T / F**
- g. The cross-border road between the Koreans will stay closed this year. **T / F**
- h. S. Korea's ice hockey coach is happy about his team's medal chances. **T / F**

**2. SYNONYM MATCH:** (The words in **bold** are from the news article.)

- |                      |                   |
|----------------------|-------------------|
| 1. <b>agreed to</b>  | a. concerned      |
| 2. <b>take place</b> | b. joint          |
| 3. <b>worried</b>    | c. discussions    |
| 4. <b>talks</b>      | d. melt           |
| 5. <b>improving</b>  | e. tries          |
| 6. <b>thaw</b>       | f. decided on     |
| 7. <b>divided</b>    | g. opportunities  |
| 8. <b>attempts</b>   | h. getting better |
| 9. <b>united</b>     | i. happen         |
| 10. <b>chances</b>   | j. split          |

**3. PHRASE MATCH:** (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- |  |                          |
|--|--------------------------|
| 1. South and North Korea have agreed to      | a. in relations          |
| 2. Tensions between the two countries        | b. for more peace talks  |
| 3. there have been high-                     | c. ice hockey team       |
| 4. they agreed to enter a joint              | d. online petitions      |
| 5. relations between the two countries could | e. use the same flag     |
| 6. The thaw                                  | f. level talks           |
| 7. open the door                             | g. border road will open |
| 8. the cross-                                | h. be improving          |
| 9. thousands of people have signed           | i. of winning a medal    |
| 10. damage South Korea's chances             | j. have been very high   |

# GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1801/180120-winter-olympics.html>

South and North Korea have (1) \_\_\_\_\_ to use the same flag at next month's Winter Olympics. The Olympics will take (2) \_\_\_\_\_ between the 9th and 25th of February in the South Korean city of PyeongChang. Many people were (3) \_\_\_\_\_ about what might happen when the North Korean team (4) \_\_\_\_\_ the games. Tensions between the two countries have been very high recently because North Korea has tested many (5) \_\_\_\_\_. However, there have been high-level (6) \_\_\_\_\_ between the North and the South. Both sides have decided to use a "unified Korea" flag at the games. In addition, they agreed to enter a (7) \_\_\_\_\_ ice hockey team. This cooperation could mean that relations between the two countries could be (8) \_\_\_\_\_.

*place*  
*missiles*  
*improving*  
*agreed*  
*attended*  
*joint*  
*worried*  
*talks*

The (9) \_\_\_\_\_ in relations between the two countries could open the door for more peace talks. The Korean (10) \_\_\_\_\_ has been divided since the 1950-53 Korean War. In the past few (11) \_\_\_\_\_, there have been many (12) \_\_\_\_\_ at improving ties between the two. The Winter Olympics could help this. The games mean the cross-(13) \_\_\_\_\_ road will open for the first time in two years. However, not all Koreans are happy with this news. Tens of thousands of people have signed online (14) \_\_\_\_\_ asking President Moon Jae-in to forget about the (15) \_\_\_\_\_. South Korea's hockey coach is not happy because he said a united hockey team could damage South Korea's (16) \_\_\_\_\_ of winning a medal.

*decades*  
*plan*  
*thaw*  
*border*  
*chances*  
*peninsular*  
*petitions*  
*attempts*

# LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1801/180120-winter-olympics.html>

- 1) agreed to use the same flag \_\_\_\_\_ Winter Olympics
  - a. at next month's
  - b. to next month's
  - c. on next month's
  - d. by next month's
- 2) worried about what might happen when the North Korean team \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. at tend did the games
  - b. attend did the games
  - c. a ten did the games
  - d. attended the games
- 3) very high recently because North Korea has tested \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. many missile
  - b. many missiles
  - c. many misses
  - d. many miss styles
- 4) Both sides have decided to use a "unified Korea" \_\_\_\_\_ games
  - a. flag at a
  - b. flagged at the
  - c. flags at a
  - d. flag at the
- 5) cooperation could mean that relations between the two countries \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. could been improving
  - b. could be improving
  - c. could be improve in
  - d. could being improving
- 6) The thaw in relations between the two countries could open the door for \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. more piece talks
  - b. more peace talks
  - c. more peas talks
  - d. more peers talks
- 7) In the past few decades, there have been many attempts at \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. improve in ties
  - b. improving tries
  - c. imp roving tries
  - d. improving ties
- 8) The games mean the cross-border road will open for the first time \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. into years
  - b. in to years
  - c. in two years
  - d. in too years
- 9) Tens of thousands of people have signed \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. online petition
  - b. on line petitions
  - c. online petitions
  - d. on lined petitions
- 10) he said a united hockey team could damage South Korea's \_\_\_\_\_ a medal
  - a. chance is of winning
  - b. chances of winning
  - c. chances off winning
  - d. chance it's off winning

# LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1801/180120-winter-olympics.html>

South and North Korea (1) \_\_\_\_\_ use the same flag at next month's Winter Olympics. The Olympics will take place between the 9th and 25th of February in the South Korean city of PyeongChang. Many people were worried about (2) \_\_\_\_\_ when the North Korean team attended the games. Tensions between the two countries have been very high recently because North Korea has (3) \_\_\_\_\_. However, there have been (4) \_\_\_\_\_ between the North and the South. Both sides have (5) \_\_\_\_\_ a "unified Korea" flag at the games. In addition, they agreed to enter a joint ice hockey team. This cooperation could mean that relations between the two countries (6) \_\_\_\_\_.

The (7) \_\_\_\_\_ between the two countries could open the door for more peace talks. The Korean peninsular has (8) \_\_\_\_\_ the 1950-53 Korean War. In the past few decades, there have been many attempts (9) \_\_\_\_\_ between the two. The Winter Olympics could help this. The games mean the cross-border road will open for (10) \_\_\_\_\_ in two years. However, not all Koreans are happy with this news. Tens of thousands of people have signed (11) \_\_\_\_\_ asking President Moon Jae-in to forget about the plan. South Korea's hockey coach is not happy because he said a united hockey team could damage South Korea's (12) \_\_\_\_\_ a medal.



# COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1801/180120-winter-olympics.html>

1. When will the 2018 Winter Olympics begin?
2. In which country will the 2018 Winter Olympics take place?
3. What has North Korea been testing recently?
4. What kind of talks did the article say the Koreas had?
5. In what sport will the Koreas have a joint team for?
6. What could the thaw in relations open?
7. When was the Korean War?
8. What will open for the first time in two years?
9. What have people been signing?
10. Who did the say article say was not happy?

# MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1801/180120-winter-olympics.html>

- 1) When will the 2018 Winter Olympics begin?
  - a) February 12
  - b) February 9
  - c) February 15
  - d) February 25
- 2) In which country will the 2018 Winter Olympics take place?
  - a) North Korea
  - b) USA
  - c) Japan
  - d) South Korea
- 3) What has North Korea been testing recently?
  - a) missiles
  - b) Donald Trump
  - c) a new exam system
  - d) driverless cars
- 4) What kind of talks did the article say the Koreas had?
  - a) exploratory talks
  - b) angry talks
  - c) high-level talks
  - d) initial talks
- 5) In what sport will the Koreas have a joint team for?
  - a) curling
  - b) ice hockey
  - c) bobsleigh
  - d) skiing
- 6) What could the thaw in relations open?
  - a) doors for peace
  - b) stores
  - c) the Winter Olympics
  - d) glaciers
- 7) When was the Korean War?
  - a) 1940-43
  - b) 1970-73
  - c) 1950-53
  - d) 1960-63
- 8) What will open for the first time in two years?
  - a) a cross-border road
  - b) a store on the border
  - c) an embassy
  - d) reunification talks
- 9) What have people been signing?
  - a) an online petition
  - b) a giant birthday card
  - c) a good luck message
  - d) autographs
- 10) Who did the say article say was not happy?
  - a) North Korea's leader
  - b) the leader of the Olympics
  - c) South Korea's leader
  - d) an ice hockey coach

# ROLE PLAY

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## **Role A – Curling**

You think curling is the best Winter Olympics sport. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their sports. Also, tell the others which is the least interesting of these (and why): figure skating, ice hockey or bobsleigh.

## **Role B – Figure Skating**

You think figure skating is the best Winter Olympics sport. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their sports. Also, tell the others which is the least interesting of these (and why): curling, ice hockey or bobsleigh.

## **Role C – Ice Hockey**

You think ice hockey is the best Winter Olympics sport. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their sports. Also, tell the others which is the least interesting of these (and why): figure skating, curling or bobsleigh.

## **Role D – Bobsleigh**

You think bobsleigh is the best Winter Olympics sport. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their sports. Also, tell the others which is the least interesting of these (and why): figure skating, ice hockey or curling.

# AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1801/180120-winter-olympics.html>

**1. WORD SEARCH:** Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'winter' and 'Olympics'.

|               |                 |
|---------------|-----------------|
| <b>winter</b> | <b>Olympics</b> |
|---------------|-----------------|

- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

**2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS:** Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

**3. GAP FILL:** In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

**4. VOCABULARY:** Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

**5. TEST EACH OTHER:** Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• agreed</li><li>• city</li><li>• high</li><li>• decided</li><li>• addition</li><li>• mean</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• door</li><li>• since</li><li>• few</li><li>• border</li><li>• online</li><li>• medal</li></ul> |
|--|--|

# WINTER OLYMPICS SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1801/180120-winter-olympics.html>

Write five GOOD questions about Winter Olympics in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

|      | STUDENT 1<br>_____ | STUDENT 2<br>_____ | STUDENT 3<br>_____ |
|------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Q.1. |                    |                    |                    |
| Q.2. |                    |                    |                    |
| Q.3. |                    |                    |                    |
| Q.4. |                    |                    |                    |
| Q.5. |                    |                    |                    |

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

# WINTER OLYMPICS DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'winter'?
3. What do you think of the Winter Olympics?
4. What do you know about South Korea?
5. Are the Winter Olympics better than the Summer Olympics?
6. What do you think of North Korea attending the games in the south?
7. Why have there been tensions between the Koreas?
8. What do you think of North Korea's missile tests?
9. What do you think of the Koreas sharing a "unified" flag?
10. How might the Winter Olympics help relations between the Koreas?

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# WINTER OLYMPICS DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'Olympics'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. What do you know about North Korea?
15. What advice do you have for people in Korea?
16. What is your favourite Winter Olympics sport and why?
17. Why might Koreans not be happy about the joint hockey team?
18. Does winning a medal matter if the teams are cooperating?
19. Have you ever signed a petition?
20. What questions would you like to ask the two presidents?

## **DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)**

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_

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## **DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)**

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_

# LANGUAGE - CLOZE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1801/180120-winter-olympics.html>

South and North Korea have (1) \_\_\_\_\_ to use the same flag at next month's Winter Olympics. The Olympics will (2) \_\_\_\_\_ place between the 9th and 25th of February in the South Korean city of PyeongChang. Many people were worried about what might happen when the North Korean team (3) \_\_\_\_\_ the games. Tensions between the two countries have been very (4) \_\_\_\_\_ recently because North Korea has tested many missiles. However, there have been high-(5) \_\_\_\_\_ talks between the North and the South. Both sides have decided to use a "unified Korea" flag at the games. In addition, they agreed to enter a (6) \_\_\_\_\_ ice hockey team. This cooperation could mean that relations between the two countries could be improving.

The (7) \_\_\_\_\_ in relations between the two countries could open the door for more peace talks. The Korean peninsular has been (8) \_\_\_\_\_ since the 1950-53 Korean War. In the past few decades, there have been many attempts at improving (9) \_\_\_\_\_ between the two. The Winter Olympics could help this. The games mean the cross-(10) \_\_\_\_\_ road will open for the first time in two years. However, not all Koreans are happy with this news. Tens of thousands of people have (11) \_\_\_\_\_ online petitions asking President Moon Jae-in to forget about the plan. South Korea's hockey coach is not happy because he said a united hockey team could damage South Korea's (12) \_\_\_\_\_ of winning a medal.

## Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- |     |               |                 |                |                 |
|-----|---------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 1.  | (a) agreed    | (b) agrees      | (c) agreement  | (d) agreeing    |
| 2.  | (a) have      | (b) do          | (c) take       | (d) give        |
| 3.  | (a) attention | (b) attestation | (c) attended   | (d) attribute   |
| 4.  | (a) many      | (b) much        | (c) big        | (d) high        |
| 5.  | (a) level     | (b) limit       | (c) loving     | (d) lever       |
| 6.  | (a) jointed   | (b) joint       | (c) jaunt      | (d) janitor     |
| 7.  | (a) thorn     | (b) Thor        | (c) saw        | (d) thaw        |
| 8.  | (a) added     | (b) divided     | (c) multiplied | (d) subtracted  |
| 9.  | (a) cords     | (b) ropes       | (c) ties       | (d) cravats     |
| 10. | (a) boulder   | (b) border      | (c) bolder     | (d) boarder     |
| 11. | (a) sung      | (b) sang        | (c) singed     | (d) signed      |
| 12. | (a) changes   | (b) chances     | (c) chants     | (d) chandeliers |



# SPELLING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1801/180120-winter-olympics.html>

## Paragraph 1

1. South and North Korea have grdaee
2. setsonni between the two countries
3. tested many lesmissi
4. high-lleve talks
5. decided to use a "nueifdi Korea" flag
6. could be gmprviino

## Paragraph 2

7. The Korean lennasipur has been divided
8. In the past few eddesca
9. there have been many etstmatp
10. people have signed online eisntptio
11. emgaad South Korea's chances
12. chances of winning a madel

# PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1801/180120-winter-olympics.html>

**Number these lines in the correct order.**

- ( ) forget about the plan. South Korea's hockey coach is not happy because he said a united
- ( ) level talks between the North and the South. Both sides have decided to use a "unified Korea"
- ( ) about what might happen when the North Korean team attended the games. Tensions
- ( **1** ) South and North Korea have agreed to use the same flag at next month's Winter Olympics. The Olympics will take
- ( ) flag at the games. In addition, they agreed to enter a joint ice hockey team. This cooperation
- ( ) hockey team could damage South Korea's chances of winning a medal.
- ( ) peninsular has been divided since the 1950-53 Korean War. In the past few decades, there have been many
- ( ) happy with this news. Tens of thousands of people have signed online petitions asking President Moon Jae-in to
- ( ) border road will open for the first time in two years. However, not all Koreans are
- ( ) attempts at improving ties between the two. The Winter Olympics could help this. The games mean the cross-
- ( ) The thaw in relations between the two countries could open the door for more peace talks. The Korean
- ( ) between the two countries have been very high recently because North Korea has tested many missiles. However, there have been high-
- ( ) place between the 9th and 25th of February in the South Korean city of PyeongChang. Many people were worried
- ( ) could mean that relations between the two countries could be improving.

# PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1801/180120-winter-olympics.html>

1. use to have Koreas same The the flag . agreed
2. worried people Many might what were about happen .
3. the between high-level been have There talks two .
4. team . agreed They ice joint enter hockey to a
5. be Relations between countries the could two improving .
6. countries . thaw in The two the between relations
7. the Open more peace for talks . door
8. ties two . improving the between Attempts at
9. people petitions . of have Thousands signed online
10. of a medal . winning Damage chances Korea's South

# CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1801/180120-winter-olympics.html>

South and North Korea have *agreed / agreeing* to use the same flag at next month's Winter Olympics. The Olympics will *take / give* place between the 9th and 25th of February in the South Korean *country / city* of PyeongChang. Many people were worried about what might happen when the North Korean team *attended / attending* the games. Tensions between the two countries have been very high *recent / recently* because North Korea has tested many missiles. However, there have been high-level *talked / talks* between the North and the South. Both sides have *decision / decided* to use a "unified Korea" flag at the games. In *addition / added*, they agreed to enter a joint *ice / iced* hockey team. This cooperation could mean that relations between the two countries could be *improving / improve*.

The *thaw / saw* in relations between the two countries could open the *hole / door* for more peace talks. The Korean peninsular has been *multiplied / divided* since the 1950-53 Korean War. In the *passed / past* few decades, there have been many attempts *at / on* improving ties between the two. The Winter Olympics could help this. The games mean the cross-border road will open for the *fast / first* time in two years. However, not all Koreans are happy with this news. Tens of thousands of people have *singed / signed* online petitions asking President Moon Jae-in to forget about the *plain / plan*. South Korea's hockey *coach / bus* is not happy because he said a united hockey team could damage South Korea's chances of winning a *metal / medal*.

**Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct.**

# INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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# PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

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the thaw in relations between the two countries could open the door for more peace talks the korean peninsular has been divided since the 1950s korean war in the past few decades there have been many attempts at improving ties between the two the winter olympics could help this the games mean the crossborder road will open for the first time in two years however not all koreans are happy with this news tens of thousands of people have signed online petitions asking president moon jaein to forget about the plan south koreas hockey coach is not happy because he said a united hockey team could damage south koreas chances of winning a medal

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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# HOMEWORK

**1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION:** Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

**2. INTERNET:** Search the Internet and find out more about this news story. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

**3. WINTER OLYMPICS:** Make a poster about Winter Olympics. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

**4. PEACE:** Write a magazine article about sport being used to bring peace between countries. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against this.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

**5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT?** Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

**6. LETTER:** Write a letter to an expert on Winter Olympics. Ask him/her three questions about the Winter Olympics. Give him/her three of your ideas on how sport can bring peace between countries. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

# ANSWERS

## VOCABULARY (p.4)

1. c    2. e    3. f    4. a    5. b    6. g    7. d  
8. i    9. j    10. m    11. l    12. k    13. n    14. h

## TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

- a F    b T    c T    d T    e T    f F    g F    h F

## SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

- |               |                   |
|---------------|-------------------|
| 1. agreed to  | a. decided on     |
| 2. take place | b. happen         |
| 3. worried    | c. concerned      |
| 4. talks      | d. discussions    |
| 5. improving  | e. getting better |
| 6. thaw       | f. melt           |
| 7. divided    | g. split          |
| 8. attempts   | h. tries          |
| 9. united     | i. joint          |
| 10. chances   | j. opportunities  |

## COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

1. February 9th
2. South Korean
3. Missiles
4. High-level talks
5. Ice hockey
6. Peace talks
7. 1950-53
8. A cross-border road
9. An online petition
10. South Korea's ice hockey coach

## MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

1. b    2. d    3. a    4. c    5. b    6. a    7. c    8. a    9. a    10. d

## ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.  
(It's good for your English ;-)