

Local AWQ Round 1: How to Deal with North Korea (AWQ Local)

1. Which leader, soon after assuming power, pursued misguided economic and agriculture policies that caused severe famines, claiming the lives of hundreds of thousands North Koreans?
 - A. Kim Il-sung
 - B. Kim Jong-chul
 - C. **Kim Jong-il**
 - D. Kim Jong-un

<https://www.history.com/topics/korea/north-korea-history>, Section 4

2. After Japan's defeat in WWII, which of the following lines of division on the Korean Peninsula split the territory into U.S. and Soviet zones of influence?
 - A. 36 degrees north latitude (36th parallel)
 - B. 128 degrees east longitude
 - C. **38 degrees north latitude (38th parallel)**
 - D. Yalu River

<https://www.cfr.org/quiz/see-how-much-you-know-about-north-korea>

3. What national ideology came to dominate North Korean politics after the Korean War?
 - A. *Jaju* (political independence)
 - B. *Jarip* (economic self-sufficiency)
 - C. *Songun* (military-first policy)
 - D. ***Juche* (self-reliance)**

<https://www.cfr.org/backgrounder/north-koreas-power-structure>

4. From which of the following agreements did North Korea unilaterally withdraw in 2003?
 - A. **Treaty on Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT)**
 - B. Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT)
 - C. Chemical Weapons Convention (CWC)
 - D. Biological and Toxin Weapons Convention (BTWC)

<https://www.cfr.org/timeline/north-korean-nuclear-negotiations>

5. The Singapore Summit on June 12, 2018 brought together which two leaders?
 - A. Kim Jong-un and Moon Jae-in
 - B. **Donald Trump and Kim Jong-un**
 - C. Xi Jinping and Shinzo Abe
 - D. Moon Jae-in and Donald Trump

<https://www.nbcnews.com/think/opinion/trump-did-not-solve-north-korea-problem-singapore-fact-threat-ncna899766>

6. Obama in 2009 tried to revive the Six Party Talks in which his predecessor, Bush 43, participated. Which of the following powers in Asia was NOT among the Six?
- A. Russia
 - B. **India**
 - C. China
 - D. Japan

<https://www.cfr.org/timeline/north-korean-nuclear-negotiations>

7. According to CFR analyst Scott Snyder, the “most surprising” item in the Pyongyang Declaration is _____?
- A. Kim’s pledge to allow international inspectors to return to Yongbyon
 - B. Mutual pledges to reduce tensions along the DMZ
 - C. **Kim’s intent to meet Moon in Seoul by the end of 2018**
 - D. Agreement on inter-Korean economic cooperation

<https://www.cfr.org/article/south-koreas-leader-makes-bold-effort-enhance-prospects-peace>

8. Despite Kim Jong-un's emerging tolerance of a consumer culture, which of the following features of doing business remains taboo in North Korea?
- A. Payment by credit cards
 - B. **Advertising**
 - C. Bazaar-style markets, shops, and departments stores
 - D. Trade with China

<https://www.voanews.com/a/north-korea-consumer-culture-real-revolution/3990832.html>

9. According to a Beyond Parallel study in 2017, what percentage of North Koreans living inside the country do NOT see the United States as the enemy?
- A. **68%**
 - B. 55%
 - C. 43%
 - D. 32%

<https://beyondparallel.csis.org/hostile-policy-north-korean-views-united-states/>

10. What does the Trump Administration insist is a precondition to a peace treaty or declaration to end officially the Korean War?
- A. U.S.-South Korean “war games” first

- B. Armistice agreement first
- C. **Denuclearization first**
- D. America First

https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/2018/08/15/why-korean-war-didnt-end-why-it-could-now/?noredirect=on&utm_term=.d500fc6d8e27

11. Which of the following are Kim Jong-un's motives for pushing a declaration to end the Korean War, according to Jung Pak of Brookings?

- A. President Trump's eagerness for a "win" on North Korea
- B. Pyongyang's desire to reduce dependence on China
- C. A progressive South Korean leader vs. Moon's conservative predecessors
- D. **All of the above**

<https://www.brookings.edu/blog/order-from-chaos/2018/09/17/the-real-reason-kim-jong-un-wants-to-declare-an-end-to-the-korean-war/>

12. Why did Kim Jong-un replace three top military generals in June 2018?

- A. They were too old to serve
- B. To give them diplomatic assignments abroad
- C. They were disloyal to his father
- D. **To prioritize the Worker's Party and government over the army**

<https://www.cfr.org/background/north-koreas-power-structure>

Local AWQ Round 2: Global Refugee and Migration Crisis (AWQ Local)

1. What term is used to identify someone who has fled across international borders because they have a well-founded fear of being persecuted for the following 5 reasons: race, religion, nationality, membership in a particular social group, or political opinion?
 - A. **Refugee**
 - B. Migrant
 - C. Internally displaced person
 - D. Alien

<https://www.cfr.org/backgrounder/how-does-us-refugee-system-work>

2. The United Nations estimates that the world's refugee population increased by more than 10% in 2017 to 25.4 million. How many of these refugees are Palestine refugees under UNWRA's mandate?
 - A. 2.2 million
 - B. 3.1 million
 - C. 4.5 million
 - D. **5.4 million**

<http://www.unhcr.org/globaltrends2017/>

3. Which country – for the fourth year in a row in 2017 – hosted the largest number of refugees worldwide, at 3.5 million people?
 - A. Pakistan
 - B. Uganda
 - C. **Turkey**
 - D. Iran

<http://www.unhcr.org/globaltrends2017/>

4. In 2015, which European country introduced legislative changes that were a key factor in its admitting more than 25,000 Syrian refugees?
 - A. Greece
 - B. Italy
 - C. **Germany**
 - D. United Kingdom

<https://www.georgetownjournalofinternationalaffairs.org/online-edition/2018/4/20/europes-great-challenge-integrating-syrian-refugees>

5. U.S. federal law enforcement apprehensions of Central Americans attempting to cross the southern U.S. border remain at their lowest level since _____.

- A. 2012
- B. 2002
- C. 1992
- D. **1972**

<https://www.americanprogress.org/issues/immigration/reports/2018/06/01/451474/still-refugees-people-continue-flee-violence-latin-american-countries/>

6. Of all the immigrants arriving in the U.S. in 2015, the largest number came from which of the following countries?

- A. Venezuela
- B. **India**
- C. Mexico
- D. China

<https://www.cfr.org/quiz/see-how-much-you-know-about-immigration-united-states>

7. Which is NOT one of the three U.S. federal agencies that are involved in the refugee resettlement process in the U.S.?

- A. Department of State
- B. **Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE)**
- C. Department of Homeland Security (DHS)
- D. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

<https://www.cfr.org/backgrounder/how-does-us-refugee-system-work>

8. This December in Marrakesh, Morocco, which of the following is set to be adopted?

- A. United Nations Youth2030 Strategy
- B. **Global Compact for Migration**
- C. Marrakesh Declaration for Refugees and Migrants
- D. Refugee International's Climate Displacement Program

<https://refugeesmigrants.un.org/migration-compact>

9. In the year since the Myanmar military launched an ethnic cleansing campaign on August 2017, more than 700,000 Rohingya fled to which country?

- A. **Bangladesh**
- B. India
- C. Thailand
- D. Laos

<https://www.refugeesinternational.org/reports/2018/8/22/5-key-priorities-to-address-the-rohingya-crisis>

10. Citing the brutal persecution of the Rohingya as crimes against humanity, Refugees International has called on the U.S. and the UN to take which of following steps?

- A. Targeted sanctions
- B. Global arms embargo
- C. Referral to the International Criminal Court
- D. **All of the above**

<https://www.refugeesinternational.org/reports/2018/8/22/5-key-priorities-to-address-the-rohingya-crisis>

11. Refugees International was started in 1979 to address the plight of refugees from where?

- A. Nicaragua
- B. Uganda
- C. **Indochina**
- D. Chechnya

<https://www.refugeesinternational.org/what/>

Local AWQ Round 3: Great Decisions (AWQ Local)

1. Which country was not a part of George W. Bush's "axis of evil" when first declaring the war on terror?
 - A. Iraq
 - B. **Egypt**
 - C. North Korea
 - D. Iran

[FPA Glossary: The Waning of Pax Americana?](#)

2. According to author David Rothkopf, Presidents George W. Bush, Barack Obama, and Donald Trump all contributed to the decline of America's influence in the world by _____?
 - A. Alienating American allies
 - B. Being too indecisive in the face of challenges
 - C. Strengthening American enemies, such as Iran and Russia
 - D. **All of the above**

[Washington Post](#)

3. In 2014, which Ukrainian president was ousted from power, ultimately leading Russia to annex Crimea in response?
 - A. Viktor Yushchenko
 - B. Ramzan Kadyrov
 - C. **Viktor Yanukovich**
 - D. Petro Poroshenko

[FPA Glossary: Russia's Foreign Policy](#)

4. At the 2007 Munich Conference on Security Policy, Russian President Vladimir Putin spoke out against the unilateralism of American foreign policy, especially criticizing _____?
 - A. **The U.S. invasion of Iraq**
 - B. American withdrawal from the Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty
 - C. Rejection of the Kyoto Protocol
 - D. U.S. sanctions on Cuba

[The Atlantic](#)

5. Which acronym designates a group of five countries that represent emerging global economies whose leaders have met annually since 2009?
 - A. EURIA
 - B. **BRICS**
 - C. G-5
 - D. ASEAN

[FPA Glossary: China and America: The New Geopolitical Equation](#)

6. In March 2018, Chinese President Xi Jinping's name was enshrined in China's constitution, adding what new formula to China's governance?
- A. Theory of Three Represents
 - B. The Chinese Dream
 - C. **Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era**
 - D. The Deng Xiaoping Corollary

[Foreign Policy Research Institute](#)

7. According to Reporters without Borders, which countries experienced a downward turn in press freedom in 2017?
- A. China, Russia, and Uganda
 - B. Turkey, Bulgaria, and Hungary
 - C. **Afghanistan, Mexico, and Turkey**
 - D. Belarus, El Salvador, and Myanmar

[Reporters without Borders](#)

8. Which nation in the Mediterranean Sea is a key geopolitical focus for Turkey, which claims territory there?
- A. **Cyprus**
 - B. Malta
 - C. Corsica
 - D. Gibraltar

[FPA Glossary: Turkey: A Partner in Crisis](#)

9. Which political party in South Africa was founded in 2013 and has become one of the largest opposition parties in Parliament?
- A. Democratic Alliance
 - B. Inkatha Freedom Party
 - C. **Economic Freedom Fighters**
 - D. United Democratic Front

[FPA Glossary: South Africa's Fragile Democracy](#)

10. The spread of "super malaria" in which of the following region in 2017 alarmed scientists as global threat?
- A. Central America
 - B. East Africa
 - C. Western Europe
 - D. **Southeast Asia**

[BBC](#)

11. Charles Lister describes four possible policy avenues for the United States to consider with the war in Syria. Which one does not apply?

- A. **Russia**
- B. Northeastern Syria
- C. Iran
- D. Chemical Weapons

[Middle East Institute](#)

12. Which former soldier was arrested in 2013 for revealing classified military documents to WikiLeaks?

- A. David Petraeus
- B. Edward Snowden
- C. Julian Assange
- D. **Chelsea Manning**

[FPA Glossary: Media and Foreign Policy](#)

Local AWQ Round 4: Space Policy (AWQ Local)

1. What body did President Trump re-establish for the first time in 24 years in June 2017?

- A. National Space Organization
- B. International Space Council
- C. **National Space Council**
- D. Council of Space Intelligence

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefings-statements/president-donald-j-trump-unveiling-america-first-national-space-strategy/>

2. Which of these is a successful multilateral effort to develop norms of behavior for outer space?

- A. No First Placement of Weapons in Outer Space Resolution
- B. **U.N. Debris Mitigation Guidelines**
- C. Prevention of the Placement of Outer Space Weapons Treaty
- D. International Code of Conduct for Outer Space Activities

https://www.brookings.edu/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/FP_20180614_safeguarding_the_heavens.pdf

3. Roscosmos used to be known as the _____.

- A. **Russian Federal Space Agency**
- B. Agency for Russian Space Intelligence
- C. Soviet International Space Center
- D. Skolkovo Innovation Center

<https://www.space.com/22724-rosocosmos.html>

4. The series of robotic moon missions Russia is interested in developing are referred to as _____.

- A. Glosnass Navigation
- B. ExoMars
- C. Phobos-Grunt
- D. **Luna-Glob**

<https://www.space.com/22724-rosocosmos.html>

5. China's first satellite launch dates to 1970, but not until what year did it become the 3rd country to independently send people into space?

- A. 1995
- B. **2003**
- C. 2012
- D. 2016

<https://rusi.org/commentary/%E2%80%98celestial-empire%E2%80%99-looks-space>

6. Which entity of the Chinese government is directly responsible for spacecraft and space infrastructure research and development?
- A. **People's Liberation Army (PLA)**
 - B. China National Space Administration (CNSA)
 - C. State Council
 - D. Ministry of Science and Technology (MOST)

<https://rusi.org/commentary/%E2%80%98celestial-empire%E2%80%99-looks-space>

7. Resistance in the Pentagon to the creation of a U.S. Space Force is more keenly felt in which branch of the military?
- A. **U.S. Army**
 - B. U.S. Air Force
 - C. U.S. Navy
 - D. U.S. Marine Corps

<https://rusi.org/commentary/%E2%80%98celestial-empire%E2%80%99-looks-space>

8. What is the main purpose of the 1967 Outer Space Treaty?
- A. To provide a multilateral agreement on space trade
 - B. To share intelligence on outer space among International Space Station partners
 - C. **To ban weapons of mass destruction from being stationed or deployed there**
 - D. To enable countries to explore and use outer space resources without conditions

<https://daily.jstor.org/the-bold-future-of-the-outer-space-treaty/>

9. In 2019, NASA astronauts are approved to fly on private space craft built by Boeing and _____?
- A. Richard Branson's Virgin Galactica
 - B. Jeff Bezos's Blue Origin
 - C. Igor Asherbeyli's Asgardia-1
 - D. **Elon Musk's SpaceX**

<https://www.space.com/41379-trump-hails-nasa-commercial-crew-astronauts.html>

10. In what year are the International Space Station's operations expected to be terminated?
- A. 2020
 - B. **2024**
 - C. 2030
 - D. 2035

<https://www.wilsoncenter.org/blog-post/cooperation-space-can-still-bridge-differences-between-us-and-russia>

Local AWQ Round 5: Round 8: World Trade Organization (AWQ Local)

1. In what year did the World Trade Organization (WTO) begin operations as the successor to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade?

- A. 1948
- B. 1986
- C. **1995**
- D. 2001

https://www.wto.org/english/thewto_e/whatis_e/inbrief_e/inbr01_e.htm

2. Approximately _____ of the 164 members of the World Trade Organization are developing countries, which benefit from lower tariff rates in developed markets.

- A. **2/3**
- B. 1/2
- C. 1/3
- D. 1/4

<https://www.thebalance.com/wto-membership-benefits-and-importance-3306364>

3. When trade protectionism worsened during the Great Depression of 1929, what happened to world trade?

- A. It ground to a halt
- B. **It shrank by 25%**
- C. It alternated between sharp contractions and sudden growth spurts
- D. It expanded by 10%

<https://www.thebalance.com/wto-membership-benefits-and-importance-3306364>

4. Which country, having joined the WTO only in 2001, has defended the third-most trade complaints (39) after the U.S. and the European Union?

- A. **China**
- B. India
- C. Argentina
- D. Canada

<https://www.cfr.org/background/whats-next-wto>

5. Ambassador Robert Lighthizer was chosen by President Trump as U.S. Trade Representative (USTR). Which President did he serve as Deputy USTR?

- A. George W. Bush
- B. George H. W. Bush
- C. **Ronald Reagan**

D. None of the above

<https://ustr.gov/about-us/biographies-key-officials/united-states-trade-representative-robert-e-lighthizer>

6. Which of the following is NOT one of the five pillars of the Trump Administration's 2018 trade policy agenda delivered to Congress?

- A. Supporting national security policy with U.S. trade policy
- B. Renegotiating trade deals such as NAFTA and KORUS
- C. Imposing tariffs
- D. **Incentivizing U.S. manufacturers to locate overseas**

<https://ustr.gov/about-us/policy-offices/press-office/press-releases/2018/february/trump-administration-sends-annual>

7. According to World Economic Forum analysts, in what ways can China respond to U.S. tariffs?

- A. Imposing retaliatory tariffs and regulatory burdens
- B. Blocking corporate mergers in China
- C. Encouraging consumer boycotts of U.S. products
- D. **All of the above**

<https://www.weforum.org/agenda/2018/06/trade-wars-wont-fix-globalization-tariffs>

8. Where is the WTO headquarters located?

- A. Doha, Qatar
- B. **Geneva, Switzerland**
- C. Paris, France
- D. Washington, DC, USA

<https://www.weforum.org/agenda/2018/07/what-is-the-wto>

9. At the WTO's Nairobi Ministerial Meeting two years ago, which of the following subjects was not part of a negotiated agreement but gained the attention of a majority of ministers in December 2017?

- A. Agricultural export subsidies
- B. Trade facilitation
- C. **E-commerce**
- D. Information technology

<https://www.cfr.org/blog/promising-future-wto-response-deputy-director-general> HYPERLINK

10. Since joining the WTO, China's GDP has grown from \$1.3 trillion to _____.

- A. \$30 trillion
- B. \$23.4 trillion

- C. **\$12 trillion**
- D. \$3.6 trillion

<https://www.weforum.org/agenda/2018/09/g20-wto-2018-trade-china/>