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Power plant in U.S. explodes

A power plant under construction in Connecticut, the United States, exploded. At least five people were killed and many were injured, according to news reports.

The explosion occurred around 11:30 a.m. at the Klean Energy Systems power plant. People living nearby *mistook it for an earthquake because their house shook due to the explosion.

Firefighters, *ambulances and helicopters arrived at the scene to fight the fire and rescue workers.

Witnesses said that they could see fire and smoke towering from the power plant. The flames were even seen from cities and towns about 48 km away from the power plant.

The blast was caused by a leak during a test of a natural gas plant under construction, the reports said. ㉠

Word Guide | 미국에 있는 발전소 폭발, *power plant 발전소, *mistake 오판하다, *ambulance 구급차

Heavy snow hits eastern U.S.



Heavy snow fell on the eastern side of the United States on Feb. 5 and 6.

Around one meter of snow fell in Washington D.C., Maryland, Virginia and Dallas.

This is the heaviest snowfall in Washington since 1922.

Due to the heavy snow, *power lines were cut and air flights were delayed or cancelled.

CNN reported that people living in eastern states had to spend the morning in darkness. Buildings were also damaged and some of the buildings even *collapsed. ㉠

Word Guide | 미국 동부지역 폭설, *power line 전선, *collapse 무너지다

Naro to be launched again in May or June

Korea's first space rocket, Naro is expected to be launched again in May or June.

The state-run Korea Aerospace Research Institute said it will *take measures to make *improvements so that the second launching can be successful.

The announcement came after a fact-finding team released its final report on the exact cause of the failure of the first rocket launch. Naro was first launched in August last year but failed to place a *satellite into an *intended orbit. ㉠



Word Guide | 나로호 5월이나 6월에 2차 발사, *take measure 조치하다, *improvement 개선, *satellite 위성, *intended orbit 계획된 궤도



North Korean Chairman Kim Jong-il

Inter-Korean summit may come this year

Expectations are high for an inter-Korean summit between President Lee Myung-bak and Chairman Kim Jong-il to be held within this year.

The *communist North Korea expressed its will to improve relations with the *capitalist South Korea.

North Korea stated on Jan. 1 that it "will bring about a solid peace *regime on the Korean Peninsula through dialogue and negotiations, and realize denuclearization."

Last month, South Korean President Lee hinted that the two Koreas may hold a summit within this year.

Early this month, South Korea's unification minister said the South wants a summit with the North.

South Korea's foreign minister also stressed that the government's basic position is that the two Koreas can hold a summit at any time.

The two Koreas reportedly held secret meetings last year to discuss the conditions for a summit. But no progress has since made.

But the South wants North Korea's promise to dis-

cuss the North's nuclear issue and inter-Korean humanitarian problems during the summit, according to the unification minister.

The nuclear issue refers to North Korea's nuclear development program. Humanitarian issues include the return of South Korean *prisoners of war in the North.

North Korea has conducted nuclear experiment two times, raising tension on the Korean Peninsula.

South Korea, the United States, China, Japan and Russia have demanded the North scrap its nuclear weapon program. But the North has ignored the call, *withdrawing from the six-nation nuclear talks.

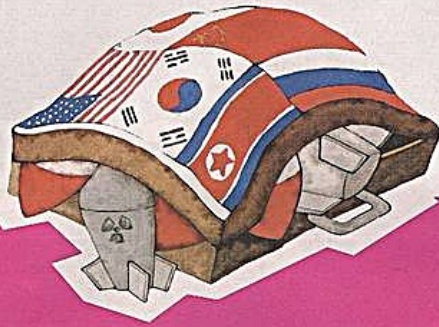
"In order to have a summit, we think that we should very concretely discuss the North Korean denuclearization issue," Unification Minister Hyun said.

But the North is focusing on replacing the current *armistice with a new peace treaty to formally end the Korean War.



South Korean President Lee Myung-bak

Word Guide | 남북정상회담 글자에 밑줄이 걸려 있다. *communist 공산주의 *capitalist 자본주의 *regime 체제, 정권 *prisoner of war 전쟁 포로(POW) *withdraw 철회하다 *armistice 휴전, 전쟁이 끝난 상태



The Korean War (1950-53) ended in a truce, leaving the Korean Peninsula technically still at war.

President Lee made it clear that his government will not pay any "price" for a meeting with North Korean leader Kim Jong-il.

The North Korean leader held summit meetings in 2000 and 2007 with then South Korean presidents Kim Dae-jung and Roh Moo-hyun, respectively.

Both summits were hailed as easing inter-Korean tension greatly. But they were also *tarnished by large cash payments and economic assistance sent by Seoul. 🇰🇷

By Kim Se-hyun (sophie@heraldm.com)



History of inter-Korean summit

The first summit between South and North Korea was held in Pyongyang in June, 2000. The meeting took place between South Korean



First inter-Korean summit

President Kim Dae-jung and North Korean Chairman Kim Jong-il.

The historic meeting resulted in the June 15 South-North Joint Declaration. The inter-Korean summit served as a *watershed in inter-Korean relations. It *virtually ended five decades of confrontation and *hostility into ties of *reconcili-



Second summit

consistently pursued a peace and prosperity policy toward North Korea. The second inter-Korean summit between President Roh and Chairman Kim was held in Pyongyang in October 2007.

The two leaders agreed on various cooperation projects to develop North Korea.

ation and cooperation.

Since June 2000, much progress has been made in inter-Korean relations.

The Roh Moo-hyun administration (2003-2008)

Word Guide | *tarnished 스팀된 구간의 해산 남 북정당회담의 해산 *watershed 분수령 *virtually 사실상 *hostility 적대감 *reconciliation 화해

Toyota faces biggest



Toyota president Akio Toyoda apologizes during a news conference.



Akio Toyoda

Toyota, the world's No. 1 Japanese carmaker, is facing the biggest crisis. The crisis came after the company was found to have made *passenger cars with safety problems.

Toyota has *recalled about eight million cars worldwide because of their accelerator problems.

The massive recall hurt Toyota's *reputation and its sales of cars started to drop after the incident.

According to news reports, Toyota estimates the cost in lost sales and repairs over the recall at more than 1 trillion won.

Toyota's president Akio Toyoda issued an *apology during a news conference on Feb. 5.

The grandson of Toyota's founder said, "I would like to take this opportunity to apologize from the bottom of my heart for causing many of our customers concern after the recalls across several models in several regions."

Official investigations have been launched in the United States and Japan.

But Japanese newspapers have *lashed out at Toyota's slow response to the *fiasco and warned it could deal a blow to Japan's *hard-won reputation for trustworthy technology.

Another blow is set to hit Toyota, which is *struggling to early contain the *fallout.

The leading Japanese newspaper Yomiuri Shimbun reported that Toyota will recall

Word Guide | *crisis 위기 *passenger car 승용차 *recall 회수하다 *reputation 평판 *apology 사과사죄 *lash out at 비난하다 *fiasco 대실패, 난관 *hard-won 어렵게 얻은 것 *struggle 싸움
*fallout 낙타의 꼬리

*crisis

300,000 units of the Prius, best-selling hybrid cars, because of a braking system problem.

The Prius is a car beloved by many Hollywood stars and environmentalists.

Toyota has sold the latest Prius in 60 countries since the new model "rolled out in May.

The Prius has drawn popularity as a "green car," which emits less pollution. The car combines a petroleum "combustion engine with a battery-powered elec-

tric motor.

The car is Toyota's "flagship hybrid car and key to its efforts to stay the world's No.1 position with "fuel-efficient vehicles.

Toyota produced 530,000 hybrids in 2009. The carmaker overtook U.S. giant automakers called the "Big Three" – GM, Ford and Chrysler.

Toyota's crisis may be a "boon for its car rivals – GM, Volkswagen, Nissan and Hyundai.

"The number of cars recalled is so

huge, and it is a very serious problem for them," said a market analyst told AFP. "This means that they are going to lose market share especially in the United States and Europe," he said.

He further said, "Toyota's rivals will profit from it. For example Nissan or Honda, but also Ford and also GM will profit from it." "They lost big market share, the Americans, but they will "regain some," he predicted.

By Shin Yang-bee and news reports



Toyota's headquarters in Aichi, Japan.



Visitors to Toyota headquarters look at the Prius hybrid car.



Hyundai's Tucson crossover

Hyundai-Kia sales up in U.S.

South Korea's leading carmakers – Hyundai and Kia – are enjoying their "drastic increase in sales from October to December last year. According to news reports, Hyundai and Kia brands almost "quadrupled its fourth-quarter profit.

Hyundai forecasts an 11 percent rise in its – auto sales around the world this year, up to 3.5 million vehicles.

The reports said Hyundai is introducing three new models in South Korea, and the new Tucson crossover – and Sonata sedan – in the United States. A new Santa Fe is being sold well there.

Word Guide | "roll out" 출시하다 "combustion 엔진" "flagship" 대표 "fuel-efficient" 연료효율적의 "boon"행운, 혜택 "regain" 다시얻다 "drastic"엄격한 "quadruple" 4배 늘다

Vancouver 2010 Olympics



- 1 A *coastal ferry with lit Olympic rings on the side is seen in Vancouver Harbor on Feb. 4, 2010.
- 2 Snowboarders carry their boards in the Whistler mountain. Whistler hosts several events of the Vancouver 2010 Olympics.
- 3 Dolls *advertising the Vancouver 2010 Olympics are displayed in a shop in downtown Whistler.
- 4 A man sells *pins at Vancouver Harbor on Feb. 6, ahead of the Vancouver 2010 Olympics.



Word Guide | 2010温哥华冬奥赛事 | *coastal ferry 沿海渡轮 *advertise 广告 *doll 娃娃 *pin 别针



The Olympic flame is passed from ski racer Maria Murru to a former World Cup and Olympic downhill ski racer Steve Podborski in Whistler, British Columbia, Canada on Friday, Feb. 5.

The Olympic Games take place every two years either in the summer or winter. The two seasons *alternate: if the event is held in the summer, it is called the "Summer Olympics" and if held in the winter, it is called the "Winter Olympics."

The Olympics first began more than two thousand years ago by the ancient Greeks. The first Olympics had only one event – a *sprint. But from then on, what initially started off as a running race, turned into a successful international event where the finest athletes from all over the globe come together to compete in over 30 different sports and about 400 events.

The latest Olympic Games were held in the summer of 2008 in Beijing, China and this year's Winter Olympics are taking place

in Vancouver, Canada. The opening ceremony for this year's competition took place on Feb. 12. More than 5,500 athletes from over 80 countries have just started fighting fiercely to earn medals.

History of Olympics

The Olympic Games started in ancient Greece in the year 776 B.C. The Games were considered very important because they were dedicated to the god Zeus. The only race in the early competition was a running race. As time passed, other races and sports were added.

In ancient Greece, participating in the Olympics and even *witnessing the competition itself were an honor. Therefore, Olympic medalists became heroes through-

out Greece, and their names were mentioned in various poems and they were made into *statues.

The *spectators included all kinds of people except women. Women were not allowed to participate in nor watch the games. Among spectators, many came from within Greece but some were from countries from afar. Those people made long trips to come to Olympia, Greece, where the Games were held.

Unlike today's winners who are awarded with gold, silver or bronze medals, the winners back then won an olive *wreath. The crown was placed on the winner's head.

The Olympic Games lost its importance and popularity as the Romans slowly began to take over Greece. One story says that the

Word Guide | 올림픽 게임 세계의 축제 *alternate 번갈아 생기다 *sprint 전력질주 *witness 목격하다 *statue 조각상 *spectator 관중 *wreath 화환

Games were officially suspended by Theodosius I in 393 A.D. Another says that it ended in 426 A.D. when Theodosius II demanded that all the Greek temples be destroyed.

Then, many years later in the 19th century, a French man named Baron Pierre de Coubertin "revived" the Games. Coubertin founded the International Olympic Committee (IOC) in 1894 and became the "father of the modern Olympic Games."

Olympic symbols

Olympic Rings

One of the most recognized Olympic symbols is the five "interlocking rings." The five rings – blue, yellow, black, green and red – represent the five continents of the world: Africa, the Americas, Asia, Australia and Europe. The connection of the rings stands for union of the five continents during the competition.

The idea of the rings was first initiated and designed by Coubertin in 1913. The rings (and the flag with the rings on it) officially debuted at the 1920 Olympic Games held in Belgium.

Olympic Torch

Another significant Olympic symbol is the torch. For each Olympics, a torch "relay" takes place several months prior to the opening ceremony. At the start of the relay, a torch is lighted in the ancient Olympic stadium in Olympia, Greece and is "transported" to the host city.

Once the torch arrives to the host city, people or runners take it around to the different sites in the country where the games are to be held. On the day of the opening cere-

mony, the final carrier (usually a famous athlete) takes the torch to the central stadium and starts a flame in the venue. The flame in the stadium burns throughout the competition and is "extinguished" during the closing ceremony.

The 2010 Winter Olympic Games officially end on Feb. 28. But a few weeks following the closing ceremony, the 2010 Winter Paralympics will begin.

The Paralympics are games and events for athletes with physical disabilities. This includes athletes with physical disabilities, "amputations," "cerebral palsy" and "vision impairments."

Governed by the International Paralympic Committee (IPC), the first Paralympic Games were held in Rome in 1960.

In the past, the Paralympic Games were held in the same year as the Olympic Games but not in the same location. But starting from 1988, both Games began to take place in the same city.

This year's Paralympics start on March 12 and runs through March 21.

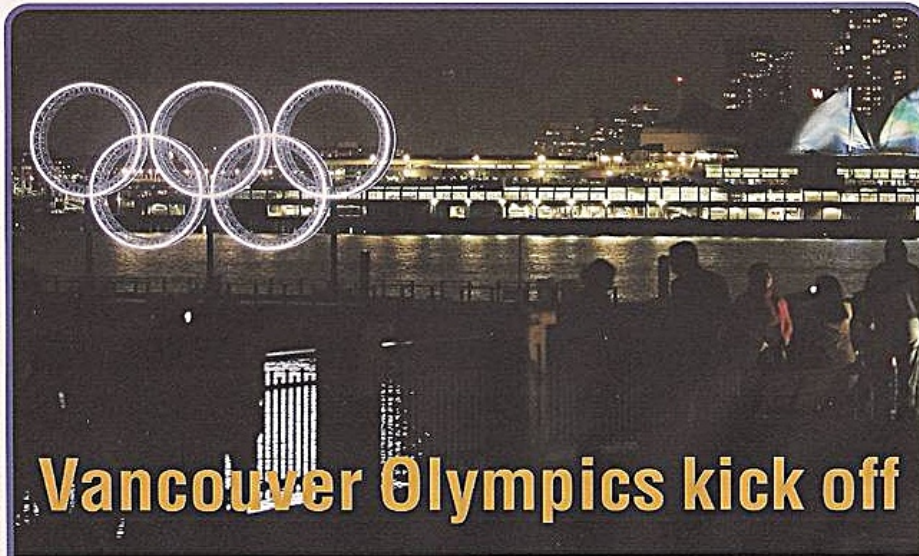
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A Canadian girl celebrates the arrival of the Vancouver 2010 Olympic torch to Whistler.



*revive 부활시키다 *interlock 서로얹들리다 *relay 릴레이 경주 *transport 수송하다 *extinguish 끌어들이다 *amputation 절단 *cerebral palsy 뇌성마비 *vision impairment 시각 장애



Vancouver Olympics kick off

South Korea's squad pledges to produce good results



South Korea's Olympic squad pledged to do its best to produce good results at Vancouver 2010 Winter Olympics.

The team expressed the *confidence ahead of the opening of the Olympic Games in the Canadian city on Feb. 13 (Korean time).

"All our athletes will do their best to *live up to the South Korean people's expectations," said Park Sung-in, who heads the 46-player squad. "As representatives of the nation, we will put up a good fight with a sense of fair play in Vancouver."

The national squad expected that its athletes will make a strong showing in certain sports and win medals.

Sports experts said the Korean team has a high chance of winning medals in speed skating, short track speed skating and figure skating.

"South Korea is aiming to finish within the top 10 in the medal standings at the upcoming Olympics," said Park Yong-sung, the president of the Korea Olympic Council (KOC). A total of 46 South Koreans have qualified to compete in the skating, skiing, biathlon and sledding events at the Vancouver Olympics, which will continue until Feb. 28.

South Korea finished seventh *in terms of medal standing four years ago in Turin and hopes to win at least five gold medals this time to *secure a second consecutive top-10 finish.

Short track speed skater Lee Ho-seok, who *earned three medals in Turin, is leading the country's gold medal charge.

And all attention is also being paid to figure skating queen Kim Yu-na. She is expected to bring Korea's first gold medal in Olympics' figure skating sport. 🏅

Word Guide | 변두리 동계 올림픽 시작: "confidence 자신감" "live up to 기대에 부응하다" "in terms of 이 관점에서" "secure 확보하다" "earn 얻다"

Grassy wetlands

Ugo Swamp



A *marsh is a wetland, an area of land containing *moisture that does not *drain well.

*Swamps are also wetlands. The main difference is that while trees grow in a swamp, grasses grow in a marsh.

Marsh grasses have *shallow roots that spread and bind mud together. This slows the flow of water, which creates rich soil. *deposits and encourages the growth of the marsh.

There are two main types of marshes - freshwater marshes and salt marshes.

Freshwater marshes are found at the *mouths of rivers. These marshes are famous as bird *sanctuaries and are an important *habitat for many birds, mammals, and insects.

If we did not have the marshes, then we would lose many of these animals. There simply is not anywhere else where they can survive.

The Amazon in South America, the Congo in Africa, the Nile in Egypt, the Tigris and Euphrates in Iraq, and the Mekong in Vietnam all have large freshwater marshes.

Did you know that the rice you eat grows in freshwater marshes? Rice is the most important of all marsh plants. It provides a major portion of the world's food.

Salt marshes are formed by seawater flooding and draining *flat land as *tides go in and out.

The grasses of a salt marsh will not grow if the ground is *permanently flooded.

Salt marshes are found along the east coast of the United States, in the Arctic, in northern Europe, in Australia, and in New Zealand. (Source: Britannica)

Did you know?

The largest marsh in the world is the Florida Everglades. This marsh-swamp *combination is somewhat more than 4,300 square miles and is home to many *extraordinary animals, including the very *rare Florida panther.



Word Guide | 물이 있는 습지: marsh 습지: moisture 수분 drain (물) 빼다, 배수하다 swamp: shallow 얕은 deposit 퇴적물 mouth 입구 sanctuary 보호구역, 안락처 habitat 서식지 희귀 생물과 식물 permanently 영구적으로 combination 조합 extraordinary 보기 드문 rare 장귀한

Korea to have its own Billboard Chart



A Korean music chart similar to the U.S. Billboard Chart will be "launched soon. This chart is called "Gaon Chart." The word "gaon" means "middle or center" in Korean.

According to the Korea Music Content Industry Association (한국음악콘텐츠산업협회), Gaon Chart is expected to come on Feb. 22. An official website on the music chart will open on the same day.

Korea currently has an online site called "Hanteo Chart" (한티차트) that records the number of albums sales. But there have been "opinions saying that this chart was not accurate. Korea has a variety of music websites and these websites each have their own music rankings.

The new Gaon Chart will "tabulate the weekly sales of songs and albums respectively. And the weekly sales will be released on the website.

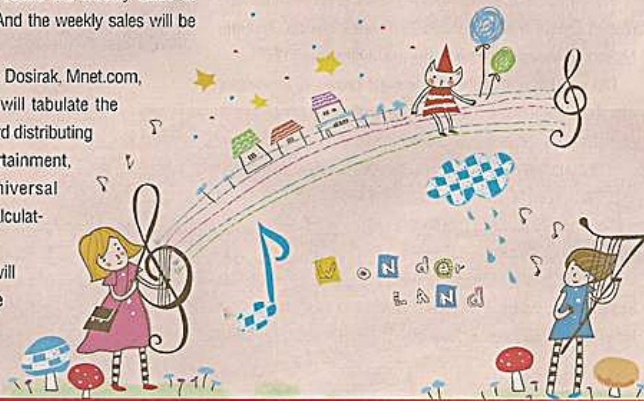
Six online music sites - Melon, Dosirak, Mnet.com, Bugs, Cyworld and Soribada - will tabulate the online sales of music. Major record distributing companies such as Loen Entertainment, Mnet Media, Sony Music, Universal Music, Vitamin, etc. will help in calculating the total sales of albums.

The Culture Ministry said it will use the Gaon Chart to collect the music "statistics like the American Billboard Chart or

the Japanese Oricon Chart.

"During the one year since the Culture Ministry announced the plan, we have done our best to have discussions with companies involved in the music industry and to establish a technical system for the tabulation. We will give more details about the tabulating system at the launching ceremony on Feb. 23," said an official at the Korea Music Content Industry Association. 

By Yeom Min-a (mina@heraldm.com)



Word Guide | 한국 발보드차트 생가다: "launch" 출범하다 "opinion 의견" "tabulate 집계하다" "statistics 통계, 수치"

SNU students reject methods in TV drama

A group of students at elite Seoul National University have shown their *skepticism against the learning methods *illustrated in nation's top rating TV drama "The Masters of the Art of Study."

Based on a Japanese comic book, the drama revolves around a high school where *naughty junior boys and girls are studying in a special classroom to get into *prestigious universities. The drama has gathered up a huge following by suggesting *distinct learning methods.

However, some of the country's top students have different ideas.

"When it comes to studying English, the instructor in the drama argues that the students should acquire the meaning of words by guessing from the context, not by *consulting a dictionary. But the interviewees were on the opposite stance.

"Well, it may be appropriate for students in high learning level but not for beginners," said one graduate student at SNU. Some of them also were skeptical about learning English by singing or dancing, one of suggestions in the drama, stating that it is impractical and ineffective.

In the drama, the math teacher insists that memorizing *formulae is the core of advancing students' performance in math. To his suggestion, some SNU students agree. "You need to understand how it works before you cram it into your head. I found the solution helpful in my school days," said Yoon, an *undergraduate. But they say the method's usefulness is limited, as problems above a certain level require more than just simple calculation.



Most of interviewees disagreed with the suggestion in the literature class that students should start with easy texts to speed up their reading. "It's not suitable for high school students who often confront a time shortage. It's better for them to chew over what they've read and try to *grasp the structure," said Lee, also an undergraduate.

On the whole, the SNU students disagreed with the methods. "I don't see the value in it. I mean you can enjoy watching the drama, but you can't expect a better grade. Some of the suggestions are focused on beginners while some are for advanced students," said a student at SNU, adding that students need to develop their own methods. Also there were some objections to the scenes in which students study overnight, as it can affect one's health and eventually lead to poor grades. ①

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Word Guide | 서울대 학생들 TV드라마에 나오는 공부방식 반대: *skepticism 호의적, 부정적 *illustrate 보여준다 *naughty 나쁜짓, 교양없는 *prestigious 방콕의 *distinct 독특한, 구별되는 *when it comes to 이 대를 시킬 때만 *consulting a dictionary 사전에 찾다 *undergraduate 대학생 formulae 공식들 *grasp 파악하다



No new high schools built in 2014



Ever since 2001, an average of three new schools has opened every year. But due to decline in the number of students, no new high schools will be built in 2014.

Recently, the Seoul Metropolitan Office of Education concluded that there would be no need to build additional schools given the decline in the number of students.

According to a report from the office, the current number of high school students this year is 359,000 and this number is expected to drop to 318,000 in 2014. Furthermore, about 119,000 students are entering high school and this number is expected to drop to about 103,000 in 2014.

The decrease in high school students results from the nation's low "birthrate". It was the lowest in among OECD countries back in 2008. This decline is expected to worsen in the future because the number of elementary school students has been steadily decreasing.

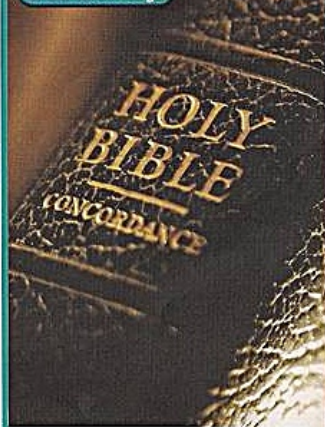
Despite the shrinking number of students, a request for new schools still exists especially in Seoul's redevelopment areas. In order to meet this demand, the education office is planning to "relocate existing schools".

As of now, there are a total of 308 high schools in Seoul. 📍

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Word Guide | 2014년 현재 고등학교가 설립되지 않는다. "birthrate" 출산율 "relocate" 이전하다

Trivia Knowledge



The best selling book of all time

Have you ever wondered which book has sold the most number of copies in history? With millions of books published and available to us, it is hard to tell which one tops the chart? No.

Well, to make things easier on you, here is the answer – the Bible.

The Bible is a book used by Christians to learn about God. It is divided into two sections – the Old Testament and the New Testament.

Christians believe the writings in the book are messages from God so they use the teachings for prayer and "guidance" in life.

Many translations of the Bible are available because it has been translated into 2,454 different languages. However, only 438 translations of the full Bible can be found.

The exact figure of the copies sold is impossible to come up with so it is estimated that over 6 billion copies have been sold by far. 📖

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Word Guide | 역대 가장 많이 팔린 책 "guidance" 인도



The United Nations



The United Nations is commonly "abbreviated to "U.N." They named it like that because the United Nations succeeds the collapsed international union.

The United Nations was established on Oct. 24, 1945 to maintain world peace and to prevent wars. It was founded after World War II. October 24 was designated as the U.N. Day and is celebrated all around the world. The U.N. *headquarters is located in New York.

The United Nations is an international organization that helps to promote *collaboration among countries. Following the *outbreak of the Korean War, the United Nations organized U.N. forces and participated in the war on the *allied side, South Korea. Moreover, the United Nations seeks to resolve regional conflicts like civil wars in some countries.

About 200 countries have joined the United Nations. South

and North Korea simultaneously became a member country of the United Nations in 1991.

The U.N. *emblem signifies world peace. Centering around the geographical North Pole, branches of an olive tree are covering the world. The olive tree is a *symbol of peace.

Korea has maintained special relationships with the United Nations. The current U.N. *Secretary General is Ban Ki-moon, who is a former Korean foreign minister. He is the first Korean to hold the top U.N. post, and Koreans are very proud of him and his achievements.

The U.N. secretary general is almost like a *coordinator of the international society and is also the world's top diplomat. The United Nations should firmly *uphold principles and beliefs. In other words, the United Nations should be neutral. Because the United Nations is a great organization, I hope that it does its best to maintain world peace.

By Kim Eun-hye (Sixth Grade, Bang-il Elementary School)

Word Guide | 국어단어: "abbreviate 줄여 쓰다" "headquarters 본사" "collaboration 협력" "outbreak 발발" "allied 동맹국" "emblem 상징마크" "symbol 상징" "Secretary general 사무총장" "coordinator 조율자 조력자" "uphold 유지하다"



Lee Kun-hee attends IOC meeting



Former Samsung Group chairman Lee Kun-hee attended the International Olympic Committee (IOC) meeting in Vancouver, Canada, from Feb. 10 to 11.

Lee participated in the meeting because he is an IOC member. Lee was elected as a member of the committee in 1996. Lee *voluntarily asked the IOC to *suspend his rights and duties as an IOC member after being charged with *tax evasion in July 2008.

In December last year, the Korean government granted a special *pardon to the 67-year-old *tycoon to help PyeongChang's bid. And he *regained his IOC membership.

Lee plans to stay in Vancouver for the time being to watch the Olympic Games. During his stay in Canada, Lee is expected to *promote the PyeongChang's bid for the 2018 Winter Olympics. The host country of the 2018 Winter Olympics will be announced in July next year. 

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Who is Lee Kun-hee?



Lee Kun-hee is one the *wealthiest persons in Korea. He was born on Jan. 9 in 1942. His is the third son of Lee Byung-chull, the late founder of Samsung Group.

Lee studied economics at Waseda University in Tokyo. He *succeeded his father and served as chairman of Samsung Group until April 2008. In August last year, the tycoon was sentenced to a three-year *suspended prison term and had to pay a fine of 110 billion won for tax evasion.

Lee married Hong Ra-hee, who is the *director of Leeum Samsung Museum of Art. He has one son and three daughters. His son - Jae-yong - is a vice president of Samsung Electronics. His first and second daughters are executives of Shilla Hotel and Cheil Industries, respectively.

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