

English - Korean Culture



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Overview of Korean Culture





Korean History and Geography

Korean History

Korea has a rich history, with records dating back to the Neolithic period. The Joseon Dynasty (1392-1910) is considered the golden age of Korean history, during which the country learned a high level of cultural and artistic development.

Geography

Korea is a mountainous peninsula located between China and Japan. It has a unique topography that has shaped its culture and traditions. The four seasons and the beautiful natural landscapes have been a source of inspiration for many Korean artists.



Korean Traditions and Customs

- Traditional Clothing: The traditional clothing of Korea is called "Hanbok" It is commonly made of natural materials such as cotton or silk and features simple yet elegant designs Hanbok is often worn on special occasions such as weddings or festivals
- Food: Korean food is known for its flavor and variety Dishes such as kimchi (fermented cabbage), bibimbap (mixed rice with vegetables), and Korean barbecue are popular throughout the country
- Architecture: Korean traditional architecture is characterized by its use of wood and tile roofs The "hanok" is a traditional Korean house, commonly made of wood and featuring a courtyard These houses are found in Seoul's Bukchon Hanok Village, which is a popular tourist destination





Korean Art and Literature

Painting

Korean painting, known as "hwa", is a unique form of art that uses traditional techniques and materials such as silk or paper. It's too much attention to landscapes, flowers, and people in a minimalist style.

Literature

Korean literature has a rich history that dates back to the Joseon Dynasty. Classic works such as the "Chunhyangjeon" (The Story of Chunhyang) are still widely read today. Modern Korean literature is also renowned, with authors such as Yi Sang and Hwang Sok yong winning international awards.

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**Korean Cultural
Vocabulary in English**





Korean Food and Dietary Culture



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Kimchi

A traditional Korean dish made from fermented vegetables, esp. cabbage. It is a common side dish in Korean cuisine and is often served with rice.

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Bibimbap

A Korean mixed rice dish that consists of rice, vegetables, meat, and often a raw egg. It is seasoned with a spicy sauce and mixed together before eating.

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Tteokbokki

A spicy Korean rice cake dish that is often served with fish cakes, vegetables, and a spicy sauce.



Korean Festivals and Celebrations



Seoul

Also known as the Lunar New Year, Seoul is the most important traditional holiday in Korea. It is a time for family reunions and features special food and conditions.

Choseok

A Harvest Festival that is cellular in mid autumn, Choseok is a time for family reunions and moon gaming.

Independence Day

On June 25th, Korea cells its Independence Day from Japanese rule in 1945. There are paragraphs and other emotions throughout the country.



Traditional Korean Clothing and Fashion



Hanbok

Traditional Korean clothing that is worn on special occasions or for formal occasions. It consists of a long robe called a "chima" and an undergarment called a "jeogori".



Jeans and T-shirts

While traditional clothing is still worn for special occasions, modern Korean fashion of Western style clothing such as jeans and T-shirts is popular.



K-pop Fashion

Korean pop culture has had a significant impact on global fashion, with many K-pop stars becoming trendsetters in the fashion industry.



Korean Music and Pop Culture



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K-pop

Short for Korean pop, K-pop refers to the popular music genre that originated in South Korea. It is known for its catchy melodies, colorful music videos, and highly produced live performances.

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PSY's "Gangnam Style"

This song by South Korean singer PSY became a global sensation in 2012, popularizing K-pop music worldwide.

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Korean Indie Music

In addition to K-pop, Korea also has a thriving indie music scene that features various genres such as rock, folk, and electronic music.

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The Expression of Korean Culture in English



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