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**Questions on Summary of Korean War**

**How did the Korean War change the American view of warfare?**

**Explain three reasons why the Korean War should not be forgotten.**

**1.** Korea still remains divided along the 38th parallel, with Communist and anticommunist forces—including Americans—staring each other down every day across the no man's land of the demilitarized border.

**2.** North Korea still has a totalitarian Communist government—and the country's recent development a of nuclear weapons program makes it a major threat to the United States, even today.

**3.** Understanding the Korean War, which ended in frustrating stalemate, is also critical to understanding the even more disastrous quagmire that developed the next time American soldiers went into battle against a Communist foe in Asia—the Vietnam War.

**Summarize how the Korean War changed from “Seesaw to Stalemate.**

On 25 June 1950, Communist North Korean troops crossed the border into South Korea, trying to reunify the country through force of arms. Then, China came in the way by sending hundreds of thousands of their own ground troops into battle. Communists captured more than 90 percent of the Korean Peninsula, which pushed the South Koreans and their American allies to the brink of defeat. This then drove the North Koreans back across the border. After that, thousands of Chinese soldiers unexpectedly poured into Korea, and the Americans were able to establish a defensive line. Fighting then settled into an uneasy stalemate.

**Why could the American strategy of “Total War “not be used in Korea?**

The Total War strategy could not be used in Korea because Americans fought a war knowing that their enemy possessed Nuclear weapons. Because of this, overly aggressive acts may have cause the conflict to escalate into a Nuclear War.

**Explain why the Korean War was considered a failure for the American military.**

It was considered a failure because the US would have liked to liberate North Korea from the Communists but the Communists proved they were willing to oppose the military liberation of one of the areas they controlled, and the US had to settle for achieving its original goal, the containment of Communism.