Ancient & Pre-Colonial Japan and Korea Unit Overview

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| **Essential Questions** |

* How did Korean and Japanese civilizations and societies emerge, expand and decline over time?
* What influence does the behaviors and practices of individuals and groups have on the political, economic and social significance of historical events, issues, and cultural groups in Japan and Korea?
* What impact did the development of government have on various civilizations, societies in Japan and Korea?
* How do the physical environment and human interaction affect the economic activities of Korean and Japanese civilizations and societies?
 | * I totally get it
* I kinda get it
* I don’t get it
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| **Books, Videos, & Movies to Dig Into** | **We learn about this because it helps us understand…** |
| * *What the Ancients Knew – Japan* (YouTube video) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A3at1K-SzCk>
* *Ancient Japan Amazing Science & Technology* (YouTube video) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A3at1K-SzCk>
* *South Korea Travel Video Guide* (YouTube video) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5UNzz1ObvcM>
* *Year of Impossible Goodbyes* by Sook Nyul Choi (book)
* *The Revenge of the Forty-Seven Samurai* by Erik Christian Haaguard (book)
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* H.2.4 - Although both Japan and Korea were affected by China early on, they developed unique traditions that lasted for centuries.
* G.1.1 - Japan and Korea are two nations heavily covered with mountains and surrounded by water. These geographic features have created long periods of isolation in each of the countries' histories.
* C&G.1.1 - Japan's history is split into a series of periods, each progressing Japanese culture and politics in unique ways.
* C.1.3 - Korean history peaked during the Three Kingdoms period, which saw a unification of language and a sharing of culture. Religion in Korea during this time was a blend of Confucianism, Taoism, and Buddhism.
* E.1.2 - A feudal system developed in Japan that loosely resembled Europe's. As a result, the military was given significant power and respect.
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| **Vocabulary to master** |
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| * Zen
 | * 3 Kingdoms of Korea
 | * Sejong the Great
 | * Peninsula
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| * Kimono
 | * Feudalism
 | * Sengoku Period
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| * Samurai
 | * Bushido
 | * Taekwondo
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| * Shinto
 | * Kami
 | * Buddhism
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| * Daimyo
 | * Fuji
 | * Haiku
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| * Shogun
 | * Archipelago
 | * Ring of Fire
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**Ancient Japan and Korea Unit Reflection**

1. Fill in the boxes on the overview sheet according to the key.
2. Add 3 words to the vocabulary list that we discussed but are not listed.
3. Choose one of the following activities and complete it:
* Write a Haiku about your experience learning about Japan and Korea. Remember 5-7-5.
* Compare and contrast the Feudal system in Japan to the Feudal system we talked about in Medieval Europe.
* Would you rather climb Mount Fuji or train with a Samurai? Explain your thinking.
* Create a Zen Doodle like this…

**End of Unit Test Score**

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