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World Studies: Countries, Cultures, and Connections-7

Chapter 12: Geography and History of Southern and Eastern Asia

Section 3: A Brief History of Southern and Eastern Asia

Guided Reading

Instructions: Read the section and complete each item with words from the passages in this section.

1. _____ was a colony of the British.
2. _____ colonized most of Southeast Asia, creating a colony known as French Indochina.
3. Before the outbreak of the war, Japan had been slowly taking over parts of _____.
4. After World War II, two major movements swept through Asia: _____ and _____.
5. After World War II ended, the _____ began.
6. The United States wanted to _____, or stop, the spread of communism to other countries in Asia.
7. The idea of communism spreading from one country into other neighboring countries is called a _____.
8. An _____ is a temporary pause in fighting.
9. Ho Chi Minh means “_____ of Light.”
10. During World War II, the _____ Peninsula was under the control of the Japanese.
11. The border between the two countries is a _____ zone, which means no military equipment or people are allowed within the border.
12. The domino theory and the spread of _____ also led to a conflict in _____.

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13. _____ broke out between the North Vietnamese (led by Ho Chi Minh and supported by the Soviet Union) and the South Vietnamese (supported by the United States).
14. By 1975, all American military personnel had left Vietnam, and _____ Vietnam soon fell to the _____.
15. Today Vietnam is still a _____ country, however, its economy is one of the fastest growing in Asia.