SOUTH KOREA

South Korea officially the Republic of Korea is a country in East Asia. South Korea is an extraordinary country filled with beautiful beaches, thriving (번성) cities, ancient temples, remarkable natural scenery and most importantly, friendly people with ancient history.

South Korea 2020 population is estimated at 51,269,185 people at midyear according to United Nation data. Korean, also called Hangul (한국말), is the official language of South Korea.

Activity 1: Answer the questions about South Korea.

1. **What is the official name of South Korea?**

2. **What is the official language in Korea?**

3. **What can we see in South Korea?**

4. **Where is the Republic of Korea located?**

5. **According to the UN data, what is the estimated population in Korea in 2020?**

Tourist Attractions in South Korea

Changdeokgung Palace (창덕궁)

Changdeokgung Palace was always the preferred royal residence. It's where the king and royal family lived their daily lives. It's not one building, it's a complex of buildings, and each served a different purpose. Some are accommodations (적응), some are libraries, dining rooms, and meeting rooms, among other uses.

Lotte World

It's a fun place to spend the day and a chance to immerse (잠그다) yourself in real Korean commercial culture. Lotte World includes a hotel, movie theaters, a folk museum with traditional performances, and activities like ice-skating. There's

a large indoor theme park and an outdoor theme park area called **Magic Island.**

National Museum of Korea

As a world capital, Seoul is filled with a lot of museums. The largest is the National Museum of Korea. It's a place that really can't be explored in a single visit. This museum houses a vast collection of over 220,000 million artifacts from ancient times to the modern era in a wide range of topics, including art and culture.

The Blue House

Named for the striking blue-tile roofs of its many pavilions and buildings, the Blue House, is the home of the Korean president. It's an interesting place to visit, as it gives you a behind-the-scenes look at modern Korean government and Korean formal culture.

Jeju Island

Jeju Island is the largest island in South Korea, located in the Jeju Province. It is a very popular resort destination. It's known for its beach resorts and volcanic landscape of craters and cave like lava tubes.

Activity 2: Read the questions, and write your complete answer.

1. Where did the king and royal family live their daily lives?

2. What is the largest museum in South Korea?

3. What is the largest island in South Korea? What is it known for?

4. Where does the president of Korea live?

5. Where can we see the Magic Island?

Activity 3: Match the pictures to their names.

- Changdeokgung Palace
- Jeju Island
- Lotte World
- The Blue House
- National Museum of Korea

Activity 4: Complete the following sentences with the words given.

Omurice

Japchae

Samgyupsal

Bulgogi

Kimchi

Tteokbokki

Samgyetang

Bibimbap

1. _____ is fried rice wrapped in egg omelette.
2. _____ is a bowl of mixed ingredients.
3. _____ is a sweet stir-fried glass noodles and vegetables.
4. _____ is a spicy and sour dish made up of fermented vegetables
5. _____ is a traditional soup made of chicken, garlic, rice, scallion, Korean jujube, Korean ginseng, and spices.
6. _____ is a food made of rice cakes, fish cake, vegetables, and sweet red chili sauce.
7. _____ is grilled slices of pork belly meat wrapped in lettuce along with grilled slices of garlic, grilled slices of onion, shredded green onions, and kimchi.

8. _____ is a juicy, dish of grilled marinated beef.