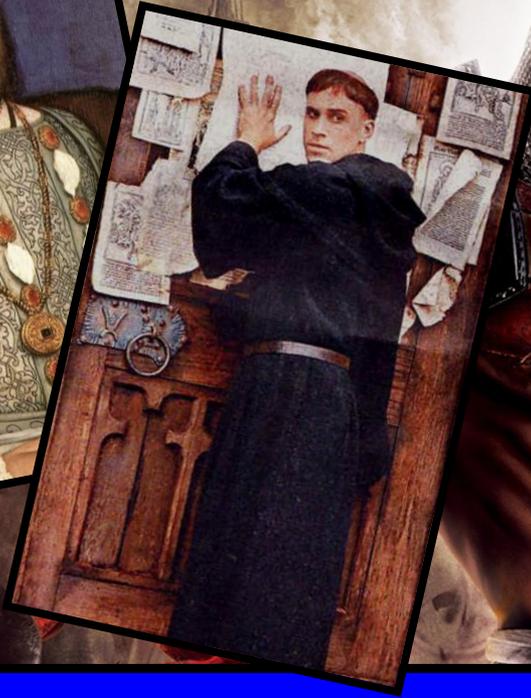


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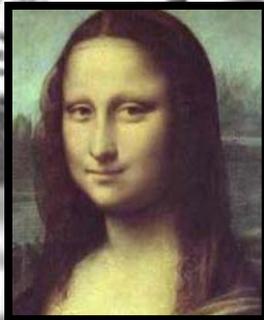
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The Yi Dynasty in Korea began in 1392 when Yi Song-gye [pronounced “Yee-Sung-Jay”], a renowned military strategist, ascended the throne by overthrowing the Koryo Dynasty.



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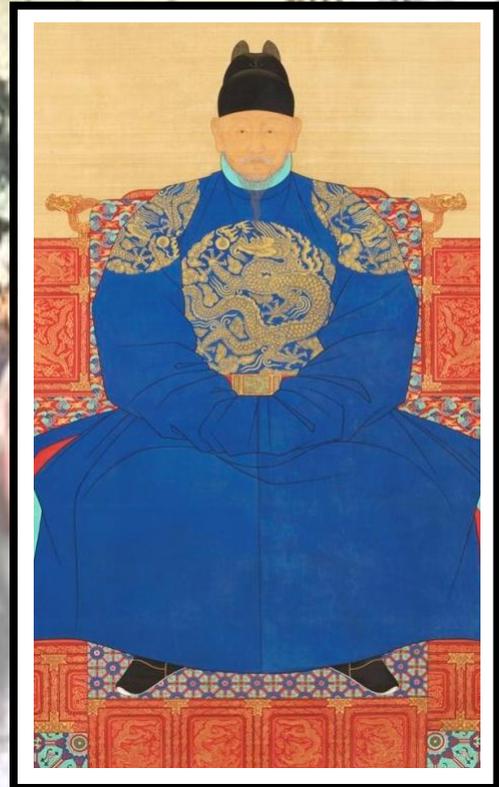




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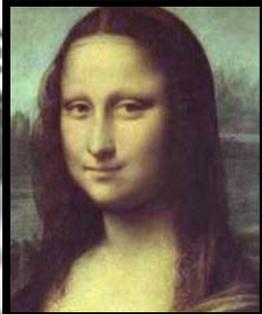
Lasting for five centuries, the **Yi Dynasty** was one of the world's longest-lasting monarchies.

From their capital at Hanseong (modern-day Seoul), **Yi rulers** consolidated their rule of Korea by adopting the **Chinese** example of a strong bureaucratic state.



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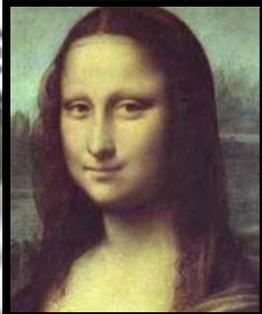
They **patterned** their **society** **after** the **Chinese** to the north but maintained their distinctive identity.

One distinctive Korean characteristic was its alphabet: Hangeul. The first Korean and Japanese writing systems developed from Chinese characters, or symbols.



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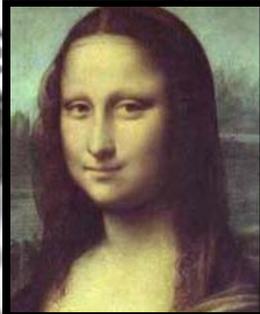
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Unlike Chinese, which uses thousands of symbols, the Korean Hangeul is phonetically based. One symbol stands for each sound, similar to the English alphabet.

Hangeul is still largely the standard writing system in present-day Korea.



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The **Yi Dynasty** also **experienced serious problems.** During the late 16th and early 17th Centuries, **internal conflicts within the royal court weakened the dynasty.**

Of course, it didn't help that the **Japanese and Chinese also invaded Korea.**



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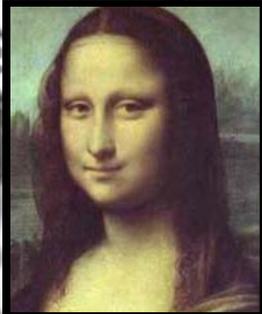
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A Japanese force under Toyotomi Hideyoshi invaded Korea in the late 16th Century. Hideyoshi wanted to use Korea as the transit route for his conquest of China.

Korean forces defeated the Japanese invaders, but victory came at a high price.



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Korean farmlands were devastated, and villages and towns were burned. The Japanese also killed or kidnapped skilled workers.

Korea was still recovering from the Japanese invasions when the Manchus attacked in the 1620s and 1630s.



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Korea recovered, however, and then began to experience a long period of peace.

In response to these events, the Korean rulers sought to limit contact with foreign countries and tried to keep the Korea isolated from the outside world.



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The country remained largely untouched by European merchants and Christian missionaries.

Due to its isolationist practices, Korea received the name "Hermit Kingdom".



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QUESTION 1 

1. Yi rulers patterned their kingdoms off of what neighboring country?



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QUESTION 2 



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2. What is the biggest difference between the Chinese and Hangeul alphabet?



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QUESTION 3 



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3. Why did Japan invade Korea in the late 16th Century?



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QUESTION 4 

4. What was Korea's response to the invasions by the Japanese and Manchus?



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QUESTION 5

5. What nickname was given to Korea due to its isolationist policies?

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