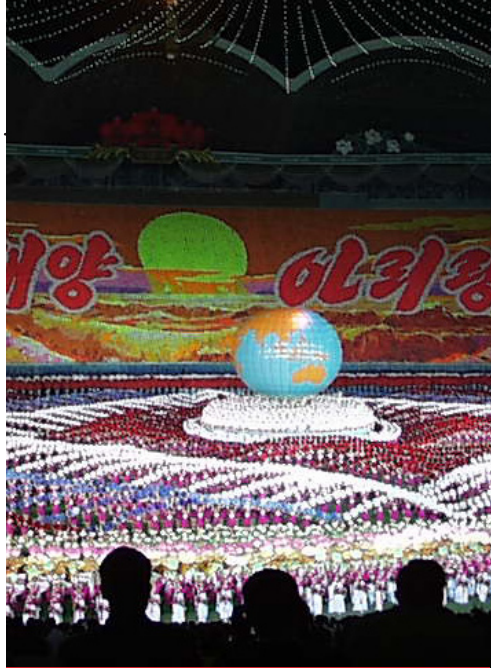


Reality vs. Koreality

To the untrained eye, North Korea may appear to be a carbon copy of its neighbour to the south, Reality. But on closer inspection, this nation of 20 million is markedly different. To improve our readers' limited understanding, *The Daily Grind* has looked at some of the major political trends of recent times and compared them to parallel trends in North Korea.



Reality

People vote primarily on local issues

The price mechanism will allow supply to meet demand

Former leaders are revealed to be corrupt philanderers in the pay of some industrial lobby

A credible military force is required to back a country's foreign policy

Foreign aid should equal about 1 per cent of GDP

In a post-2001 world, people are increasingly xenophobic

Koreality

People love the peerless leader, Kim Jong-il

The infinite wisdom of the dear leader will nourish the masses

Former leaders get to keep their positions in government, long after death

An expensive yet largely impotent military force is required to back a country's domestic policy

Foreign aid equals 100 per cent of GDP

In a post-1953 world, people are increasingly fucked