



South Koreans are boycotting anything Japanese

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As a trade dispute between South Korea and Japan escalates, South Koreans are using their pockets to protest against Tokyo's new export restrictions.

1-1. At supermarkets across the country, _____

1-2. as a "Boycott Japan" movement _____

2. Korean customers are shunning beer, _____

3. It's a hit that merchants here - _____

SOUTH KOREAN DIRECTOR AT PRUNE-MART, CHO MIN-HYUK, SAYING:

"We expect a 10-15% drop on revenue. But despite our losses as a small business, we're going ahead with the boycott to protest what Japan is doing."

4-1. Protesters in South Korea _____

4-2. after the two sides clashed on an issue that _____

5-1. Japan _____

5-2. and forced many Koreans _____

6. South Korea recently asked Japan _____

7. It considers the matter _____

8. Instead, Tokyo slapped on trade restrictions _____

9. Online, screenshots of Japan trip cancellations _____

10. Twenty-nine-year-old Lee Sang-Won _____

11. He says _____

29-YEAR-OLD SOUTH KOREAN DESIGNER, LEE SANG-WON, SAYING:

"I think it's important for us to show the **Japanese** government how we feel.

The boycotts aren't about how much economic damage we can do, but more about raising awareness and sending a message."

12. The protests took a dark turn on Friday, _____

13. He died _____

14. That same day in Tokyo, tensions were sky high _____

15-1. South Korea has rejected Japan's call _____

15-2. and Japan has rejected South Korea's proposed plan _____

[Vocabulary]

- pull off:** to forcibly remove something (from or off something else)
 - *Don't pull off the bandage or the wound might get infected.*
- pull off shelves:**
- gather steam:** to increase in strength, force, or energy
 - *The campaign quickly gathered steam.*
- shun:** to deliberately avoid a person, something
 - *They shun all forms of luxury.*
- take a hit:** to suffer heavy losses or be badly affected (by something).
 - *Unfortunately, the bad reputation the country has garnered in the past year due to the violence and unrest has meant that its tourism industry, upon which much of the economy depends, has taken a hit.*
- revenue:** income from business activities
 - *The company's revenue increased by 20 percent last year.*
- go ahead with:** to do (something) after planning to do it
 - *Despite the bad weather, they decided to go ahead with the party.*
- retaliation:** the act of doing something harmful or unpleasant to someone because they have done something harmful or unpleasant to you
 - *Discrimination invites resentment, conflict, and retaliation.*
- clash:** a very angry argument between two people or groups
 - *The two friends clashed over which road to take.*
- stretch back to:** to extend back
 - *The town's history stretches back to before 1500.*
- colonize:** to take control of another country by going to live there or by sending people to live there; settle as a colony; of countries in the developing world
 - *Europeans colonized Africa in the 17th century.*
- joint:** involving two or more people, or done by them together; united or combined
 - *The two presidents issued a joint statement.*

- **fund**: an amount of money that you collect, save, or invest; a large supply of something, especially something useful
 - *a fund to buy instruments for young musicians*
- **joint fund**:
- **slap on**: apply carelessly; to apply something to oneself or something else very hastily or haphazardly
 - *Don't just slap your makeup on like that—you need to learn how to put it on properly.*
- **online**: While connected to a computer or under computer control
 - *Shoppers would rather pick up the phone than do business online.*
- **screenshot**: a photograph or printed page showing what appears on a computer screen
- **trend**: to show a tendency; to generate or attract a lot of interest or attention especially online and in social media
 - *prices trending upward*
- **swap**: to give something to someone in exchange for something else
 - *Do you want to swap seats?*
- **a small price**: a small sacrifice; worth the trouble
 - *Going to the dentist once a year is no fun, but it's a small price to pay for having healthy teeth.*
- **awareness**: knowledge or understanding of a subject, issue, or situation
 - *racism awareness*
 - *There was a general lack of awareness about safety issues.*
- **raise awareness**:
- **take a dark turn**: to become unpleasant in some way; to happen something unpleasant
 - *The situation has taken a dark turn.*
- **sky high**: very high
 - *Business confidence is sky-high at the moment.*
 - *Problems in the farming industry have sent meat prices sky-high.*
- **exchange**: An exchange is a brief conversation, usually an angry one.
 - *There've been some bitter exchanges between the two groups.*
- **third-party**: a person other than the principals
 - *a third party to a divorce proceeding*
 - *insurance against injury to third parties*
- **arbitration**: the official process of trying to settle a disagreement between two people or groups by considering all the facts and opinions
 - *The labor dispute was settled through government arbitration.*