

South Korea's Recent Holiday Shifts: Labor Day and Children's Day 2026 Facts

South Korean Holidays · Answer Key · 5 Questions

1. In what year did Labor Day officially become a public holiday for all citizens in South Korea?

- A) 2024
- B) 2025
- C) 2026**
- D) 2023

2. Children's Day in South Korea is annually observed on which date?

- A) May 1st
- B) May 5th**
- C) May 8th
- D) June 6th

3. Is Parents' Day (May 8th) considered a public holiday in South Korea, meaning a day off for the general population?

- A) Yes, since 1973
- B) Yes, it was just designated in 2026
- C) No, it is not a public holiday**
- D) Only for public officials

4. Who was the pioneer of children's literature and social activist credited with first proposing Children's Day in Korea in 1923?

- A) Kim Gu
- B) Ahn Chang-ho
- C) Bang Jeong-hwan**
- D) Syngman Rhee

5. What is a common way families in South Korea celebrate Children's Day?

- A) Visiting ancestral graves for Charye rituals
- B) Attending lantern parades at temples
- C) Filling amusement parks and child-friendly venues**
- D) Exchanging gifts with teachers and mentors