

## Information Evaluation – Investigative Journalism 1/7

### Part 1: VOCABULARY North Korean Labor Camps in Siberia 1/7

Difficult word/phrase	Swedish Translation	Easier replacement
goofy		silly
region		area
boggling		amazing
hermetic		airtight
hermit		person (who avoids others)
outsourcing		(paying someone else to do
outsource		(pay someone else to do
propaganda		talk
anthem		song
reintegration		re-joining/re-combining
regime		government
assassinated		killed
circa		about
essentially		mostly
reeking		stinking

### Part 2: LISTENING COMPREHENSION

Watch the video and do the exercise below.

<https://youtu.be/awQDLonkdI>

Write the correct word in the blanks. Use the words from the **Part 1**.

**SHANE SMITH:** Simon, hi.

**SIMON OSTROVSKY:** Hi.

**SHANE SMITH:** My name is Shane. I'm from America. We're here with our friend Simon. We've been on the train for a long time. We're going a bit \_\_\_\_\_. Where are we going?

**SIMON OSTROVSKY:** We're going to Tynda, in the Amur \_\_\_\_\_ of Russia, in the Far East to look for the North Koreans.

**SHANE SMITH:** The thing about this is, it's mind \_\_\_\_\_ that North Korea, the most

\_\_\_\_\_ state in the world, the \_\_\_\_\_ Kingdom it's actually called, is \_\_\_\_\_ its labor. But they \_\_\_\_\_ their labor into miniature North Korean villages so that you don't ever lose the North Korean experience. So it's like North Korean-type buildings, North Korean \_\_\_\_\_, North Korean pictures, North Korean songs. They wake up and sing the North Korean \_\_\_\_\_.

**SIMON OSTROVSKY:** They bring North Koreans in for three-year contracts. After they're done working here, they get sent back to North Korea. They spend a month in a \_\_\_\_\_ camp to get all of the \_\_\_\_\_ that they've missed. Most of the workers are over 40 years old, so they all have families back home. So they know that if they try to run away, then their family back home gets in trouble.

**SHANE SMITH:** The North Koreans are making money to support the \_\_\_\_\_. And these poor dudes are out there in the middle of nowhere singing "God save Kim Jong-Il" and working in near-slave conditions. **SIMON OSTROVSKY:** This is kind of the only place where you can actually have an entrée into how they actually live day-to-day.

**SHANE SMITH:** Question -- are we going to get \_\_\_\_\_ for going to talk to the North Koreans?

**SIMON OSTROVSKY:** Quite possibly. People aren't going to be happy to see us. That's for sure.

**SHANE SMITH:** Why is it that the best stories always take so long to get to?

**SIMON OSTROVSKY:** Because all of the easy-to-get-to ones have been done by programs better than yours.

**SHANE SMITH:** [LAUGH] He's a prickly pear, this guy. He's a prickly pear. [LAUGH] Now, you have to remember that everything in Siberia, almost without exception, is very, very fucking far away from everything else. And even though it was the height of summer and 100 degrees outside, because it's Russia, the heat gauge on the train had been turned on full and then broken off -- probably \_\_\_\_\_ 1971. So the experience is \_\_\_\_\_ like being trapped on a boiling-hot, \_\_\_\_\_, drunken sauna 24 hours a day. Oh shit, hello. Now we've got crazy dude here.

### Part 3: SPEAKING

Turn to the person next to you. Read the dialogue from **Part 2**