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## Eurovision Announces Launch of Asian Edition

### Description

The organisers of the Eurovision Song Contest have announced a new event called Eurovision Song Contest Asia. This will take place in Bangkok on November 14. This is important because it is the first time Eurovision will be held in Asia, and it could unite many different cultures through music.

South Korea, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, Laos, Malaysia, Nepal, the Philippines, Vietnam, and Thailand will compete in this contest. Organisers expect more countries to join before the event. The details of the competition rules are still not clear. In the original Eurovision, each country sends an artist to perform a song live, lasting no longer than three minutes.

There has been some tension in previous contests due to political issues. For example, Russia was removed after its invasion of Ukraine. The Asian contest may also face similar challenges, as some Southeast Asian countries have ongoing disputes.

The idea for an Asian edition of Eurovision has existed since at least 2008, but it has not happened until now. The event could attract over 600 million viewers, which is more than triple the number of people who watched the last Eurovision contest. However, creating a new tradition can be difficult in today's digital media landscape.

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### Vocabulary List:

1. **organisers** //ˈɔrgə,naɪzəz// (noun): people who plan and arrange an event
2. **edition** //ɪˈdɪʃən// (noun): one version of a book, event, or show
3. **tension** //ˈtɛnʃən// (noun): a feeling of worry or disagreement between people
4. **invasion** //ɪnˈveɪʒən// (noun): when one country enters another to fight
5. **attract** //əˈtrækt// (verb): to make people want to go or watch
6. **landscape** //ˈlænd,skeɪp// (noun): the overall area or situation in a field

### Comprehension Questions

#### Multiple Choice

1. Where will the Eurovision Song Contest Asia take place?



- Option: Seoul
- Option: Bangkok
- Option: Dhaka
- Option: Phnom Penh

2. When is the Eurovision Song Contest Asia scheduled to occur?

- Option: November 1
- Option: November 14
- Option: December 2
- Option: October 31

3. Which country was removed from the original Eurovision due to a political issue?

- Option: Bangladesh
- Option: Laos
- Option: Russia
- Option: Bhutan

4. What is the maximum length of a song performed in the Eurovision contest?

- Option: Two minutes
- Option: Three minutes
- Option: Four minutes
- Option: Five minutes

5. Since what year has the idea of an Asian edition of Eurovision existed?

- Option: 2000
- Option: 2008
- Option: 2010
- Option: 2015

6. How many countries from Southeast Asia are mentioned as competitors in the contest?

- Option: 8
- Option: 9
- Option: 10
- Option: 11

### True-False

7. The Eurovision Song Contest Asia is the first Eurovision event held in Asia.



8. The competition rules for the Eurovision Song Contest Asia have been completely finalized.
9. Over 600 million viewers are expected to watch the Eurovision Song Contest Asia.
10. The Asian edition of Eurovision was proposed only recently.
11. All countries mentioned are expected to participate in the contest.
12. The original Eurovision contest allows countries to send multiple artists.

### Gap-Fill

13. The Eurovision Song Contest Asia will take place in \_\_\_\_\_.
14. The Asian contest is the first time Eurovision is being held in \_\_\_\_\_.
15. Countries like South Korea and \_\_\_\_\_ will compete in the contest.
16. The maximum song length for performances is \_\_\_\_\_ minutes.
17. The idea for the Asian edition of Eurovision dates back to at least \_\_\_\_\_.
18. Political tensions could impact the Eurovision Song Contest \_\_\_\_\_.

### Answer

**Multiple Choice:** 1. Bangkok 2. November 14 3. Russia 4. Three minutes 5. 2008 6. 10

**True-False:** 7. True 8. False 9. True 10. False 11. False 12. False

**Gap-Fill:** 13. Bangkok 14. Asia 15. Thailand 16. three 17. 2008

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