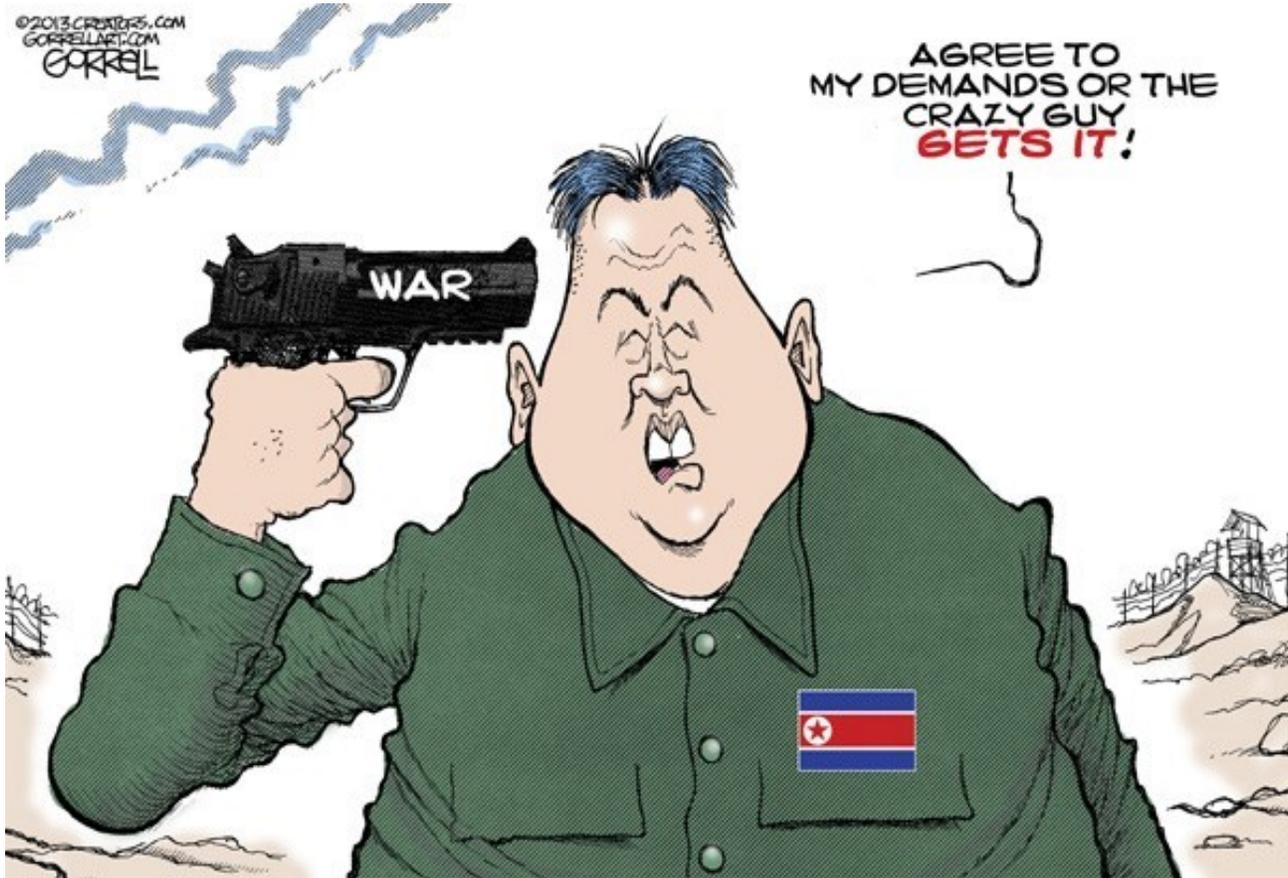


Cartoons for the Classroom



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By Bob Gorrell / Creators Syndicate

North Korea's Kim plays a crazy game

Between the lines

"North Korean Dictator Kim Jong-Un is behaving rationally . . . like any boss he wants to keep his gang in power and build its wealth and status." - Psychology Today.
<http://www.psychologytoday.com/blog/the-winner-effect/201304/the-north-korean-dictator-is-behaving-rationally>

Additional resources

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<http://editorialcartoonists.com/cartoon/browse.cfm/GorreB>

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Talking Points

1. What does Bob Gorrell's cartoon say about the threats by North Korea's "Supreme Leader" Kim Jong-Un?
2. Are Kim's threats against the United States and South Korea crazy or a play for power? Why?
3. How are Kim's tactics for maintaining power similar to those used by his father and grandfather?
4. Throughout history political leaders have used bluster and military threats to win concessions from rivals. Can you find some examples?
5. Sometimes playing a power game with claims of great military power and wild threats can backfire, leading to a disastrous war. Where has this happened?