You Will Learn

• What are Jangseung?

• What do Jangseung Look Like?

• History of Jangseung

• How to Make your own Jangseung
You Will Need

- Paper Towel Tubes (one per Jangseung)
- Colored Paper (Brown, Black, Red, White)
- Markers
- Glue or Tape
- Scissors
- Rubber Bands
- Pom-Pom Balls or Cotton Balls (optional)
- Jangseung Patterns (optional)
What are Jangseung?

- Jangseung are Similar to Totem Poles of the American Indians of the Pacific Northwest
- Unlike Totem Poles, They do not Tell Stories
- Jangseung are Korean Guardian Spirit Poles
- They Protect Against Evil Spirits, Misfortune and Disease

Jangseung in Mungyeong Saejae Provincial Park, Korea. ©2005 by Breffni Whelan (used by permission).
What are Jangseung?

- They are Placed at the Entrance to a Village or Temple, Stream, or Valley

- They Mark the Boundary between the Village and the Outside World

Jangseung at Korean Bell of Friendship, San Pedro, California. ©2009 by Dominic Yu (used by permission).
What do Jangseung Look Like?

• Made of Wood or Stone
• Four - Sixteen Feet Tall
• Human Images
• Grotesque or Exaggerated Features
• Humorous or Frightening Expressions

Jangseung in Duryu Park, Taegu, Korea. ©2010 by Matthew Benuska.
What do Jangseung Look Like?

- Their Eyes are Bulgy
- Their Nose is Lumpy and Large
- Their Mouth is Open, Showing Teeth
- They May Have Large Ears
- They May Wear a Hat or Headdress
- They are Sometimes Painted

Jangseung in Sinch’ón, Seoul. ©2010 by Matthew Benuska.
What do Jangseung Look Like?

• Jangseung Typically Come in Pairs

• There is a Male Jangseung (left)

• And a Female Jangseung (right)
What do Jangseung Look Like?

- Jangseung are also Named
- The Male is Named “Great General Under Heaven” (천하대장군)
- The Female is Named “Woman General Under Ground” (지하여장군)

Jangseung at Koma Station, Saitama, Japan. ©2009 by Uthai Tomita (used by permission).
History of Jangseung

• The Tradition of Jangseung is More than 2,000 Years Old

• Jangseung were Once Considered Deities

• Now They are Mostly Decorative
History of Jangseung

• They are Erected during Community Celebrations and Festivals
• Everyone in the Village May Participate

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How to Make a Jangseung

- Step 1: Wrap the Pole
  - Get Paper Towel Tube
  - Get Brown Construction Paper
  - Roll Lengthwise so that the Paper Curls around the Tube
  - Smear the Paper with Glue
  - Wrap the Paper around the Tube
  - Glue Long Edge of Paper
  - Secure the Tube with Rubber Bands
  - Set Aside to Dry
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• Step 2: Make the Face

- Get White Construction Paper
- Cut a 4" Diameter Circle
- Lightly Fold in Quarters (find midpoint)
- Draw or Glue
- A Nose in the Middle Third of Face (above fold)
- Two Eyes on each side of the Nose
- A Mouth beneath the Nose
How to Make a Jangseung

• Step 2: Make the Face (Cont’d)

- Female Only:
  Draw or Cut Out and Glue Three Red Dots
  (Forehead and Cheeks)

- Glue Face on Pole 1/2" from Top
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• Step 3: Top the Pole (Male)

- Use Black Construction Paper
- Trace and Cut Jangseung Hat Pattern
- Glue Hat to Top of Tube in the Back
- The Wings of the Hat are at the Bottom
- Wings of Hat Should Stick out on the Sides (do not glue them to tube)
- Loop Top of Hat Over Top of Tube and Glue End to Front of Tube (forehead)
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• Step 3: Top the Pole (Female)

- Use Black Construction Paper
- Trace and Cut Jangseung Headdress Pattern
- Glue Long Part to Top of Tube in the Back
- Long Part of Headdress Hangs Down
- Fold Over Top of Tube and Glue Sides of Headdress to Tube
- Glue Red Paper Hairpin to Back of Head
- Glue Pom-Pom or Cotton Ball to Top (Optional)
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- Step 4a: Name the Pole
  - Write or Glue the Inscription using Korean Characters (Hangul)

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- **Step 4b: Name the Pole**
  - Write or Glue the Inscription using Chinese Characters (Hanja)

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You’re Done!
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