The partition of Ireland (Irish: críochdheighilt na hÉireann) was the division of the island of Ireland into two distinct jurisdictions, Northern Ireland and Southern Ireland. It took place on 3 May 1921 under the Government of Ireland Act 1920. Today the former is still known as Northern Ireland and forms part of the United Kingdom, while the latter is now a sovereign state officially known as the Republic of Ireland.
1. What two paramilitary forces emerged due to the threat of Home Rule?

2. When did the Government of Ireland Act become law?
   a. 1914  
   b. 1920  
   c. 1930

3. What was the Ulster’s Solemn League and Covenant more commonly known as?
   a. Ulster Covenant  
   b. Covenant of Ulster

4. The Ulster Solemn League and Covenant was signed by nearly 500,000 people on and before 28 September 1912, in protest against what?

5. Why was the Home Rule Act suspended in 1914?

6. The fourth Home Rule Bill was passed in 1920. What is its formal name?
   a. Government of Ireland Act  
   b. Government of Ireland Bill

7. Who campaigned for a separate parliament for Ireland, based in Dublin?
   a. Isaac Butt  
   b. Isaac Newton

8. Can you name the 6 Northern Counties
   1. 
   2. 
   3. 
   4. 
   5. 
   6. 
9. Can you give a definition of Partition?


10. Pave stones were painted Red, White and Blue in some areas and Green, White and Orange in other areas. Why did it stop in 1914?


11. Can you name the two Divisions from Ireland?


12. Why do you think men volunteered to fight?


13. Why do you think women were not asked to volunteer to join the army?
14. You are a newly conscripted soldier in the army and in a foreign land. Using the letters below as examples, write a letter of comfort to your family back home?

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