

# THE EARLY ORIGINS OF CHINA

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01. By \_\_\_\_\_ BCE agricultural communities had spread through much of what is now called \_\_\_\_\_, and there were \_\_\_\_\_ villages from the Wei River Valley eastward, parallel with the great \_\_\_\_\_ River (Huan He), which flowed out of the \_\_\_\_\_ Mountains.

02. What animals did they raise?

03. Describe their homes and crafts:

04. People along the \_\_\_\_\_ River had to work harder at \_\_\_\_\_, and perhaps this stimulated a greater effort at \_\_\_\_\_.

05. Where people were producing more \_\_\_\_\_ than they needed to \_\_\_\_\_, warriors had the incentive not only to plunder but also to \_\_\_\_\_.

06. But the first dynasty of which there is historical evidence is that of the \_\_\_\_\_ family, who are thought to have begun their rule around \_\_\_\_\_ BCE.

07. A Shang emperor was \_\_\_\_\_, and he had an administrative \_\_\_\_\_, with councilors, lesser priests and diviners.

08. And women in Shang civilization were \_\_\_\_\_ to men, with aristocratic women enjoying greater \_\_\_\_\_ than common women.

09. They extended their trading and used money in the form of \_\_\_\_\_.

10. It was around \_\_\_\_\_ BCE that the first known \_\_\_\_\_ appeared in Shang civilization - writing that developed more than \_\_\_\_\_ characters, partly \_\_\_\_\_ and partly \_\_\_\_\_.

11. They saw nature as \_\_\_\_\_ using magic.

12. The people of Shang civilization believed in an \_\_\_\_\_ heaven that people went to when they died.

13. And, like \_\_\_\_\_, the Shang knew of human \_\_\_\_\_. If an emperor wanted a special favor from the gods, he might \_\_\_\_\_

14. After the fall of the Shang, a dynasty of \_\_\_\_\_ emperors began ruling what had been Shang civilization.

15. They claimed that all lands belonged to \_\_\_\_\_, that they were the sons of \_\_\_\_\_ and therefore that all lands and all people were \_\_\_\_\_.

16. Zhou emperors told those they had conquered that they, the Zhou, had ousted the ancestors of Shang emperors from heaven and that heaven was occupied by their supreme god, a god they called "\_\_\_\_\_", who, they said, had commanded the downfall of the Shang emperors. Like emperors in West Asia, Zhou emperors claimed that they ruled by \_\_\_\_\_.

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17. A new age of scholarship had appeared, and among the scholars was a man named \_\_\_\_\_, a name that in the seventeenth century CE in Europe was to be Latinized to \_\_\_\_\_.

18. As a scholar he was a master of \_\_\_\_\_ and he had some familiarity with \_\_\_\_\_.

19. Confucius lived after people around him had begun using \_\_\_\_\_ tools.

20. Confucius decided to change society through \_\_\_\_\_. He is described as the first among the Chinese to support himself by teaching - by \_\_\_\_\_.

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21. What do the Chinese call the Great Wall?

22. **Click on the "go" to see the panoramic. Watch for red boxes to go to the next section of the wall. CHECK IT OUT!**

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23. Imperial China begins with the founding of the \_\_\_\_\_ dynasty in 221 B.C. (Qin, pronounced "chin," is the derivation of the English word "\_\_\_\_\_").

24. King \_\_\_\_\_ assumed the leadership of Qin in the year \_\_\_\_\_ B.C. at age \_\_\_\_\_. He proclaimed himself Qin Shi Huangdi (the \_\_\_\_\_). The emperor standardized \_\_\_\_\_. His most ambitious building projects included work on the first \_\_\_\_\_ (meant to keep out foreign invaders) and his own mausoleum, in which as many as 700,000 workers toiled to supply a \_\_\_\_\_ for his defense and a model palace for his afterlife.

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