## **Ancient China Study Guide**

## What should you study?

- Review the guizlet Ms. O'Donnell created for us:
  - https://quizlet.com/\_5ytg9x
- The assessment will primarily be multiple choice with a few short answer questions.

  Many of the questions are document based questions
- Review your test-taking strategies: read carefully; underline or highlight what the question is asking you; think of our own answer before you look at your options; look over your work before you turn it in

## Use these questions and statements to guide your studying:

- How do the ideals and values of Ancient China affect us in today's society?
- Geography:
  - What are the common geographical features in ancient civilizations and how do they impact the development of agriculture? Be able to identify the rivers, mountain ranges, and other physical features
  - o Where is China?
  - o How did the physical features isolate ancient China from the rest of the world?
- Family in Ancient China:
  - o How did the family structure of the Ancient Chinese influence the development of their society?
  - o What does the word patriarchy mean?
  - o What is ancestor veneration (great respect or admiration) or ancestor worship?
- Dynasties:
  - o Xia, Shang, Zhou, Qin, Han--know the years in power, who were primary/most famous leaders, achievements, and decline of each dynasty
  - o Define DYNASTY
  - o How did Qin Shi Huangdi unify China?
  - o What was the Mandate of Heaven?
  - o How did dynasties help civilization develop?
  - o What is the Great Wall of China? Which dynasty had it built? Who actually built it?

- Silk Road:
  - o What was the Silk Road?
  - o Why was the Silk Road so beneficial to the Chinese Civilization?
  - o What was traded on the Silk Road?
  - o What were difficulties along the Silk Road?
- Confucianism:
  - o Who was Confucius?
  - o How did Confucianism address the problems that plagued the Chinese society? What were the problems in society and how did Confucius want to solve them?
  - o What are the principles of Confucianism?
  - o What is filial piety?
- Buddhism:
  - o Who founded Buddhism? Where was it founded?
  - o What are the Four Noble Truths? What is the Eightfold Path?
  - o Know these ideas: enlightenment, karma, rebirth
- Taoism/Daoism:
  - o Who founded it?
  - o What is the Dao?
  - Be able to explain basic principles of Daoism.
- Legalism: What is it?