The crucial period of Chinese history, 220-960, falls naturally into contrasting phases. The first phase, also known as that of "early medieval China," is an age of political decentralization. Following the breakup of the Han empire, China was plunged into civil war and fragmentation and stayed divided for nearly four centuries. The second phase started in 589, during the Sui dynasty, when China was once again brought under a single government. Under the Sui, the bureaucracy was revitalized, the military strengthened, and the taxation system reformed. The fall of the Sui in 618 gave way to the even stronger Tang dynasty, which represents an apogee of traditional Chinese civilization. Inheriting all the great institutions developed under the Sui, the Tang made great achievements in poetry, painting, music, and architecture. The An Lushan rebellion, which also took place during Tang rule, brought about far-reaching changes in the socioeconomic, political, and military arenas. What transpired in the second half of the Tang and the ensuing Five Dynasties provided the foundation for the next age of late imperial China.


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R 103 B628o The Oxford dictionary of philosophy
R 103 Enc Encyclopedia of religion and ethics
R 291.02 W927w World religions: from ancient history to the present
R 355 Chi China at war : an encyclopedia
R 364.1 B218n Great lives from history: Notorious lives
R 394.2 B846f Festivals of the world: the illustrated guide to celebrations, customs, events, and holidays
R 355 500 500 great military leaders
R 355.009 Rea The reader's companion to military history
R 509 A832a Asimov's chronology of science & discovery
R 608.03 E89e Eureka!
R 609 W927w World of invention.
R 610.9 M489m Medical discoveries: medical breakthroughs and the people who developed them
R 610.3 O98m The Oxford illustrated companion to medicine
R 610.95 L926t Traditional Chinese medicine: how to maintain your health and treat illness
R 702.2 O58a Atlas of world art
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R 703 E56a Encyclopedia of world art.
R 703 E56va The Encyclopedia of visual art
R 703 H645v A Visual dictionary of art.
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R 909 Cou Countries, peoples & cultures
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R 909 C557c Chronology of the expanding world, 1492 to 1762
R 909 H325h History: the definitive visual guide: from the dawn of civilization to the present day
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R 909.5 M825g Great events from history: The Renaissance & early modern era, 1454-1600
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| Encyclopedia Americana | A standard in school, academic, and public libraries, the Encyclopedia Americana is easy to search online. This database helps middle- to upper-grade students find a wealth of information to assist with homework and research projects. |
| Encyclopedia Britannica School Edition | Encyclopedia Britannica Online School Edition provides access to three databases: -- Encyclopedia Britannica for high school students and up, -- Comptons by Britannica for middle school students and up and -- Britannica Elementary for elementary students and up. |
| Literary Reference Center | Literary Reference Center is a full text database that combines information from major reference works, books, literary journals as well as original content from EBSCO Publishing. This resource includes more than 10,000 plot summaries, synopses, and work overviews; 75,000 articles of literary criticism; 130,000 author biographies; full text of more than 300 any journals; 500,000 book reviews; 25,000 classic and contemporary poems; over 11,000 classic and contemporary short stories; full text of more than 7,500 classic novels (anticipated by Fall 2006); over 3,000 author interviews; and over 1,000 images of literary figures. The database contains the Bloom Series of more than 500 books and all of MagillOnLiterature Plus from Salem Press, including the Masterplots series. It also includes other major reference works as well as the contents of over 275 major literary journals. |
| ProQuest History Study Center | History Study Center provides current and backfile journal articles, rare books, newspaper articles, video clips, parliamentary papers, criminal trial records, radio and television news, maps, images, student guides and a bookshelf of respected reference titles. In addition, the history Web Gateway provides links to thousands of reliable and informative Web sites. History Study Center provides over 40,000 documents and articles organized under 515 widely-studied topics, with 50 reference works, 3,000 images and links to 2,000 Web sites. |
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| World History: The Modern Era - ABC-CLIO | World History: The Modern Era (covering history from the Renaissance to today) is the latest update of the reference standard of electronic history reference materials for high school and high-level middle school coursework. |
Remote Access to Hedges Library Online Databases

You may also access the library page from the Baylor School homepage: (http://www.baylorschool.org/) Mouse over ACADEMICS and click on the library link located at the right side of that drop down menu. Once there, select “Online Resources” from the options from the menu on the left side of the page.

Once there, at the top of the center column, click on Remote access information. You will be prompted for your current First Class account username and password. Once there, click the link “Remote access” again and a pdf file with database information will open. Select desired database and follow directions.

Vetted Web Pages

China's Great Wall
URL: http://tlc.howstuffworks.com/family/great-wall-of-china-landmark.htm/printable
One of the best known landmarks in the world, the Great Wall of China ripples across China like a scaly dragon. From desert to sea, it stretched for four thousand miles. Not simply a wall, it was more than twenty feet wide with a highway for horses across the top. Examine the colossal scale of this construction project that lasted more than two thousand years. Find out why the wall sometimes failed to stop invaders. Discover the newest invaders who visit the wall by the thousands every day.

Ancient China
URL: http://ancientweb.org/explore/country/China
Chinese civilization dates back over 4000 years. Early accounts of China's history were written by the ruling class and focused on politics and court histories, not on the common classes. Learn about the first prehistoric dynasty in China and see what archaeologists have learned from artifacts found from this time period. Read about the discovery of the ancient site of the Terracotta army and about warfare in Ancient China. There are descriptions of the different Chinese gods and notes about religion.

China: The Great Wall of China
URL: http://video.nationalgeographic.com/video/exploreorg/china-great-wall-eorg
The Chinese Emperor Qin began his rule in one of the Chinese states in 246 BCE, and conquered the rest of the six dynasties and combined them to form what is known today as China. He began building a wall that was constructed over the next 1,800 years to keep out their enemies. At one time, one fifth of the population of China worked on the Great Wall. A modern day ruler decided that China should not close itself off from the outside world, that they could benefit from relationships with other countries, so the wall was no longer a barrier.

The Great Wall of China
URL: https://edsitement.neh.gov/student-resource/following-great-wall-china-interactive-map#node-20815
Learn about great Chinese imperial dynasties and the construction of the Great Wall of China. Test your knowledge as you answer questions and recreate the wall piece by piece. Find out who threatened China during the Ming Dynasty. Built both to keep invaders out and keep citizens in, it stretched from west to east across China. Identify the Great Wall of China's western-most province and discover which country it almost reaches at its eastern-most point.

Chinese Junk
A junk was an ancient sailing ship made in China from wood. The masts were made from pine trunks, while bamboo strips made the canvas or silk sails stiff. The square sails could be rolled up if the wind was too strong. These medieval ships were the first to have a rudder for steering. Junks were used by merchants and pirates. They could hold a lot of stuff. They sailed on rivers, canals, and out on the ocean.

The Junk
URL: http://www.dkfindout.com/us/history/ancient-china/chinese-junk/
A lecture on junks was transcribed and placed online along with related images. The lecture describes the unique qualities of these vessels that were common in China for centuries. It provides you with a physical
description of a junk and explains how this type of vessel was limited to its travel due to its design. Examples of historic Chinese junks are provided along with an illustration. A photograph of a modern junk is accompanied by a description that reveals how this type of vessel has changed from the original.

What Are Shadow Puppets?
URL: http://wonderopolis.org/wonder/what-are-shadow-puppets
Have you ever made a shadow shaped like a rabbit or dog with just your hand, a light, and a blank wall? That is a form of shadow puppetry. People in India and China started shadow puppetry thousands of years ago. With practice, shadow puppets can be simple or elaborate and made to look like they are walking, talking, fighting, dancing, or more. The Chinese shadow puppet plays tell legends and folk tales. In Indonesia, these plays often show plays depicting good versus evil. A video shows some amazing shadow puppets made by a group of people’s bodies.

Playing with Shadows: An Introduction to Shadow Puppetry
Ancient puppeteers used shadows to tell the tales of heroes and villains. The shadow puppets were moved with strings, rods, or bamboo. Props could be simple or the puppet ceremonies could have elaborate sets and orchestras. Go behind the screen and explore the ancient art. Shadow puppet shows were performed in courts and along roads, beginning during China’s Song Dynasty. The stock characters were used to teach and entertain. The shadows were initially made with the light of a candle or oil lamp shining on a translucent fabric screen.

Ukiyo-e
URL: http://www.jnto.go.jp/eng/indepth/cultural/experience/n.html
One form of traditional Japanese art is called ukiyo-e. These wood-block prints depict tales from a gaily spirited world called ukiyo. Learn the history behind and see examples of ukiyo-e which were originally produced in the Edo era. Find out about the best-known historic ukiyo-e artist and learn the reasons why this art form appealed to the people. Discover the steps involved in producing a ukiyo-e print and see what types of tools are used.

URL: http://emp.byui.edu/DavisR/201/GenghisKhan.htm
Discover who Genghis Khan was as you read this detailed description of the legend who is most often referred to as a conqueror. In this description Khan is compared to Napoleon, but there really is no comparison between the two men and there is no other man in history who can be compare to Genghis Khan. You will learn of the tremendous impact Genghis Khan had and the impact of Khan’s descendents as well. There are five major events that led to the legacy of Genghis Khan and they are all listed.

Genghis Khan: Father of Mongolia
URL: http://frommanylands.com/mongolia_man.html
Learn all about the life of Temuchin, who later became known as Genghis Khan, from the legend himself. This biography was written from the perspective of Genghis Khan as though he was telling you all about his life. You will learn about his personal life, how he formed armies, and how he conquered more territory than any other man in history. Some of the things people have said about Genghis Khan are also included in the biography. A map of Mongolia demonstrates the areas Genghis Khan conquered.

Genghis Khan’s Treasures
URL: http://www.smithsonianmag.com/history/genghis-khans-treasures-118867438/?no-ist
Learn about the ruins found beneath the Central Asian city ruled by Genghis Khan and what was learned from this amazing discovery. In addition to a two page article on the treasures and Genghis Khan’s legend, you will have the opportunity to view photographs of some of the actual artifacts and learn about their significance. You will discover what is known about these artifacts and how this information offers researchers new information on Genghis Khan.

Genghis Khan Biography
URL: http://www.cloudbiography.com/bios/genghis-khan.html
Genghis Khan was born in what is present day Mongolia. His father was killed by a rival tribe when Khan was only nine years old, leaving the family in dire straits. When Khan discovered his brother withholding food from the family, he killed him. Khan was only thirteen. When he was older, he managed to unify the tribes by bringing them together under his command. He successfully waged war against the Xia and Jin dynasties. By
1218, the Mongolian Empire spread as far as the Khwarezmian Empire, which he annihilated after they beheaded one of Khan's ambassadors.

**Ancient Chinese Science**
URL: [http://www.historyforkids.org/learn/china/science/](http://www.historyforkids.org/learn/china/science/)

Ancient Chinese scientists were interested in practical inventions like weapons and paper. Medieval scientists didn't worry so much about scientific theories. They wanted something they could use. They invented the crossbow, gunpowder, the hot air balloon, and the magnetic compass all by 250 B.C. Scientific observation was used to study the stars and planets as well as plants and animals. Mathematics and engineering were also important to the early Chinese. They experimented with printing and movable type.

**Landscape Painting in China**

The Asia Society presents information about paintings of landscapes in China. Enjoy beautiful samples of this art form in the section of album of landscapes. These monumental representations of landscape paintings are among the most important images in the history of Chinese art. This Chinese art represents the culture and thoughts of the people from China. The landscape paintings have been translated as metaphors for political icons, religion, and individual values. This art was an important means of communication among educated individuals.

Landscape Painting in Chinese Art
URL: [http://www.metmuseum.org/TOAH/HD/clpg/hd_clpg.htm](http://www.metmuseum.org/TOAH/HD/clpg/hd_clpg.htm)

After the fall of the Tang dynasty, Chinese artists found refuge by retreating into nature. At the beginning of the Song dynasty, paintings of nature became metaphors for a successful state. Scholar-officials cultivated literary and artistic pursuits, which continued on their estates even after they were barred from government service during the Yuan dynasty. During this time, they also explored the inner landscape of the mind. Court artists during the Ming dynasty returned to depicting the orderly imperial garden, while Ming loyalists depicted local scenery during the Qing dynasty.

**Chinese Art (c.1700 BCE - 2000 CE)**

Mountains and deserts separated early Chinese civilization from other cultures for thousands of years while porcelain, jade, terracotta, and ivory art flourished. Landscape paintings were popular during the Tang dynasty. Animal skins and silk were used as canvases. Chinese calligraphy turned manuscripts into works of art. Chinese art sought to express the essence of life in an abstract natural scene, rather than focusing on what was observable. Relief sculptures and paintings expressed a coexistence with nature. Dragons, bamboo, and orchids all had symbolic meanings. Explore art during the Zhou, Qin, and Sui dynasties.

**History of Happiness**

Although Positive Psychology has only recently emerged on college campuses, the philosophical study of happiness has a history reaching back thousands of years. Find out what great ancient philosophers like Confucius, Mencius, and Aristotle had to say about happiness. Confucius found joy in meeting and studying friends from afar while Mencius rejoiced in the sprouts of virtue. Zhuangzi prized laughter and Buddha developed an eightfold path to happiness. In more recent times, Maslow developed a hierarchy of needs leading to self-actualization while Frankl devoted his life's work to understanding personal meaning.

**Individualism in Classical Chinese Thought**
URL: [http://www.iep.utm.edu/ind-chin/](http://www.iep.utm.edu/ind-chin/)

Individualism described in this site means the innate and absolute entitlements, powers, and values that are associated with one's self. This ideal has been found throughout much of the Chinese philosophy. Unlike individualism during modern European and American frameworks, Chinese expressions of individualism do not stress the individual's uniqueness or separates them from other areas of power. Rather it highlights one's power from within the context of one's unity with these other areas of power.

**History of Art for Kids**
URL: [http://www.historyforkids.org/learn/arts/](http://www.historyforkids.org/learn/arts/)

This Web site helps students understand ancient art and the cultures and history of the people that created it. Students can explore architecture, sculpture, painting, and pottery from the Stone Age to 1500 A.D. The text is illustrated with photos and tells the story of the beliefs behind the art. The site also discusses the history,
economy, lifestyles, philosophy, and science of many countries and cultures so the student gets a well-rounded view of the subject.

**Chinese Philosophy**


Ancient Chinese philosophy is very different from modern, Western philosophy. Chinese philosophers declared sayings and provided writings that were expressive in ways that would suggest thoughts, behaviors, and beliefs. Interpretation was not limited. They used poetry and stories as guidelines, rather than rules about life. This Ancient History online encyclopedia article discusses this topic and how Chinese philosophy has been taught and adapted through time.

**The Temple of Heaven**

**URL:** [http://imperialtours.net/blog/temple-heaven](http://imperialtours.net/blog/temple-heaven)

Of all of the Buddhist temples in China, the Temple of Heaven is considered to be the holiest one of them all. Since the Emperor was the only person permitted to worship heaven, he chose to worship at this temple during every winter solstice. Read about the things that the Emperor prayed for and how the temple was designed. Today, commoners are permitted to pay a fee and visit the temple. There are links to other architectural buildings found in China that will provide additional information.

**China**


The Great Wall of China is an architectural feat that was built in sections over thousands of years. It has been called the "long grave yard", since millions of prisoners and peasants lost their lives while building the wall. The construction of the Forbidden City in Beijing took place during the early 1400s. It is the largest palace in the world. The Temple of Heaven is another famous piece of architecture in China. You can read a description of these and other Chinese historical architectural achievements on this website.

**Han Dynasty**

**URL:** [http://www.scholastic.com/browse/subarticle.jsp?id=4275](http://www.scholastic.com/browse/subarticle.jsp?id=4275)

The centralization of government raised opposition to the Qin dynasty. Heavy demands were placed on the people for public works projects and wars. The Han Dynasty was more concerned with the welfare of peasants. Han Wudi waged wars against the nomadic tribes of the north and gained control of North Korea and Central Asia. The Han Dynasty would only trade with and have diplomatic relations with barbarians who paid tribute. Only those with a thorough knowledge of Confucian teachings could be government bureaucrats. In addition to paper and porcelain, the Han Dynasty invented an early seismograph.

**Han Dynasty (206 B.C.–220 A.D.)**

**URL:** [http://www.metmuseum.org/toah/hd/hand/hd_hand.htm](http://www.metmuseum.org/toah/hd/hand/hd_hand.htm)

When Qin Shihuangdi died in 210 B.C., China erupted into civil war. The Han Dynasty reunited China. The bustling capital city of Chang'an was one of the biggest cities of the ancient world. Literature and Confucianism flourished, and historical records told of barbarians beyond the borders. China reconquered Vietnam and Korea and captured horses from Ferghana. Trade routes were established across the Taklamakan Desert. Factions dissolved the Western Han Empire, but the Eastern Han Dynasty was renewed with a new capital a generation later. Learn about diplomatic missions and inventions from the Han Dynasty.

**The Rise and Spread of Civilization in India and China, c. 2500 BC-AD 535**

**URL:** [http://www2.uncp.edu/home/rwb/lecture_asian_civ.htm](http://www2.uncp.edu/home/rwb/lecture_asian_civ.htm)

Three great civilizations developed along the Indus River thousands of years ago. The last of the three collapsed shortly after an Aryan invasion of India. The two cultures combined and the Hindu and Buddhist religions were born. Explore India’s main geographic features. Cities were first built on the flood plains of the river valley. The Harappan civilization had grid-like cities with houses made of baked bricks. They also had a citadel and complex sewers. The Aryans were semi-nomadic warriors and had a rural way of life with a caste system.

**Where Is the Forbidden City?**

**URL:** [http://wonderopolis.org/wonder/where-is-the-forbidden-city](http://wonderopolis.org/wonder/where-is-the-forbidden-city)

For almost five hundred years, the center of Beijing, China, was called the "Forbidden City," the Chinese imperial palace for twenty-four different emperors. It was built between 1406 and 1420 and consisted of almost 1,000 buildings covering almost eight million square feet. The compound was called forbidden because no one could enter without the emperor's permission. The city was surrounded by a twenty-six-foot-high wall and a
deep and wide moat. The Forbidden City was used as such until 1912 when the last Emperor of China resigned his position. It was proclaimed a World Heritage Site in 1987.

**Ancient Chinese Architecture**
**URL:** [http://www.chinahighlights.com/travelguide/architecture/](http://www.chinahighlights.com/travelguide/architecture/)

China is a country with a long history. Part of that history includes its architectural structures. Ancient architecture was considered elegant and structures varied by region. The article on this page offers a historical account of Chinese architecture. Many photographs of the colorful buildings in China are included on this site. Read about the specific features of Chinese architecture, such as the materials used and design layout of buildings. Read about modern Chinese architecture, as well.

**Ancient Chinese Explorers**
**URL:** [http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/sultan/explorers.html](http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/sultan/explorers.html)

What was it like to sail on a Chinese treasure junk? Watch a video about these amazing ships used by Chinese explorers in the 15th century. See what was taken on the ships and the many places they traveled. The history of Chinese sea power is explained, and Chinese Admiral Zheng He is introduced. Find out about his many journeys and his battles along the way. You will even find out about a giraffe brought from India to China in 1415!

**Chinese Junk Rekindles HSU Connections**

Discover the impact that a stranded Chinese junk had on the campus of Humboldt State University after it was towed into Humboldt Bay. This article tells the story involving the replica of a Chinese Warship, the legendary explorer who sailed the original, and the explorer who was the university's namesake. It demonstrates how two seemingly different cultures and civilizations can come together and celebrate their similarities and differences while gaining a new understanding of each other.

**Land and Resources**
**URL:** [http://www.chinaembassy.se/eng/zgabc/t100383.htm](http://www.chinaembassy.se/eng/zgabc/t100383.htm)

A general overview of the geography of China is provided by the web site of China's Embassy in Sweden. The land and resources are described in several different sections beginning with position and area. Learn about the total land area and borders. In the topography section you can find facts about elevation in the four areas of China. There are facts about the rivers and lakes, climate, flora and fauna, land resources and mineral resources.

**What is Calligraphy?**
**URL:** [http://www.chinavoc.com/arts/calligraphy.htm](http://www.chinavoc.com/arts/calligraphy.htm)

Throughout history, each culture has had something to add to the vast collections of art that can be found the world over. These days it seems like many of the oldest forms of art have found their way into modern times, and this is certainly true for the art of calligraphy. The art of calligraphy is an art that can traces its roots back to the ancient times in Asia, and on this web site you can learn more about it and how it was first created.

**Appreciation of the Art of Chinese Calligraphy**
**URL:** [http://www.chinapage.com/calligraphy.html](http://www.chinapage.com/calligraphy.html)

Artwork comes in many different forms. Can you appreciate the beauty of Chinese calligraphy? Here you will find a brief history of this type of art and some classic examples in many different styles. The samples cover many different styles and are from different time periods. Beside each artwork are adjectives to help see the feeling behind the brush strokes.

**China's Age of Invention**
**URL:** [http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/ancient/song-dynasty.html](http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/ancient/song-dynasty.html)

NOVA presents questions and answers from Robin D.S. Yates, Professor of History, and East Asian Studies at McGill University in Canada. Learn more about the Song Dynasty (960-1280) as a period in China's history that excelled in economic prosperity and technological innovations. Basic modes of transportation would not have been possible without the Chinese invention of an explosion in a self-contained cylinder. This early development led to the internal combustion engine and the steam engine.

**URL:** [http://www.amfoundation.org/tcm.htm](http://www.amfoundation.org/tcm.htm)

Traditional Chinese (or Oriental) Medicine practices date back more than two thousand years. The Alternative Medicine Foundation has prepared this resource guide which has a brief summary of Traditional Oriental Medicine, discussion of the basic principles, and an explanation of the five element theory, acupuncture, Chinese herbs, the eight guiding principles, diagnosis, diet, and more. This is intended to be only an overview of a complex treatment system that takes many years to master.
The ABCs of Traditional Chinese Medicine and Acupuncture
URL: http://www.acupuncturetoday.com/abc/
Traditional Chinese medicine, with records dating back to 2000 B.C., is one of the world’s oldest systems of medicine. Chinese medicine is complex and is based on the belief that everything in the universe is interconnected. The parts of the body and the mind are interconnected and work together. Acupressure, while common, is but one component of traditional Chinese medicine. There are as many as 2000 acupuncture points on the human body, following 20 meridians. There are several theories as to why it works, such as stimulating the nervous system.

Chinese Herbal Medicine
Herbal remedies have been used for centuries in China, and they are becoming very popular around the world. Visit the American Cancer Society web page to find out about the pros and cons of Chinese herbal medicines. You will get an overview of the differences between Western and Eastern approaches to treatment. Find out what could be helpful and what could be harmful in using herbal treatments, especially in the treatment of cancer. Learn why more research is needed to prove the effectiveness of herbal remedies.

Introduction to Chinese Poetry
URL: http://www.sacu.org/poetry.html
The poetry of Li Bai is a good place to start for those still learning Chinese and ready for a basic introduction to literature. Jing Ye Si tells about dreaming on a moonlit night. This simple poem would be a good choice to memorize. Chinese poetry has a unique cadence and rhyme, and will help introduce you to vocabulary and grammar. Discover the symbolism of the moon in Chinese culture. Meet three Chinese poets. Li Bai is a romantic poet who loved wine and the moon. Tu Fu wrote poetry about suffering and war. Qu Yuan wrote laments from exile.

The Mongols
URL: http://www.lacma.org/khan/mongols.htm
The Mongols were ruled by Genghis Khan and moved from the eastern area of Eurasia and conquered areas to the north and northwest. This brief report on the Mongols describes the changing geographical location of the Mongol Empire and prior to and after the death of Genghis Khan. It describes the typical lifestyle of the Mongols, which included a liking for the finer things in life. It also lists specific luxuries favored by the Mongols and how they formed an artistic identity even though they did not have their own artistic traditions.

The Mongols
URL: http://history-world.org/mongol_empire.htm
A large collection of essays discuss the various aspects of the Mongol Empire. The opening page contains an elaborate discussion on the last great nomadic challenges from Genghis Khan to Timur. This discussion continues on the second page, which is accessible through the interactive table of contents. This is where you can also access a discussion on the founding of the Mongol Empire and information on Genghis Khan, the Yuan, Akbar and India, and Mongols in China including Marco Polo.

The Mongols in World History
URL: http://afe.easia.columbia.edu/mongols/index.html
Explore the significant roles of the Mongols in world history. This special feature allows you to examine Mongols' contributions to the world, their conquests, their influences in China, and their way of life. You can also learn about the important leaders in Mongol history and browse a photo gallery filled with related images. When you roll your mouse over any of the five main areas you will find a list of the topics that are covered. A collection of maps is also available for you to view.

Acupuncture.Com: Gateway to Chinese Medicine, Health, and Wellness
URL: http://acupuncture.com/
This site contains an introduction to acupuncture and a history of Chinese acupuncture when you click on library and acupuncture. In western medicine, it is considered a new alternative medicine, yet it is actually over 5000 years old. Acupuncture influences physiological functioning by inserting fine needles. It can be used with burning herbs or acupressure. It is described in what is said to be the oldest medical textbook in the world. It involves an energy force and its pathways through the body.

History of Tea
URL: http://www.tea.co.uk/page.php?id=3
How did a plant from China become the basis of Britain's favorite drink? Explore the history of tea from ancient times in Imperial China to the present day. Legends abound surrounding the origins of this remarkable brew. Whether tea leaves accidentally blew into boiling water or were chewed as a stimulant to stay awake, ch’a or China tea has been popular for
many centuries. Examine the cultural and ritual significance of tea in China and Japan. Discover how tea in Britain evolved from a luxury item to an everyday beverage. Investigate the role of tea in war, crime, and trade.

**Tea Ceremonies**

URL: [http://www.tea.co.uk/page.php?id=120](http://www.tea.co.uk/page.php?id=120)

The British are not the only ones who drink tea. Tea is not just for social occasions. People in Japan, China, Korea, and Russia have ceremonies surrounding tea. In Japan, the Chanoyu ceremony requires hand washing and a calm spirit before you enter the teahouse. Bitter tea is accompanied by sweet mochi. Smell and taste are important parts of Chinese tea ceremonies and tea preparation is considered an art. Tea is a part of Buddhist religious ceremonies in Korea and is used in meditation. Black tea is combined with herbal or mint tea in Russia.

**Silk Road Map**


The Silk Road is a term which describes the trade route between the Central Asia and China. In ancient times, China transported silk, tea and other products to exchange for horses with small kingdoms in west of China. The famous explorer Marco Polo expanded this trade route to the Middle East, Western Europe and North Africa. The Silk Road became one of the most important trade routes linking China and Europe. No longer used for international trade, the ancient route remains filled with much historical significance.

**In a Nutshell: the Silk Road**

URL: [http://www.historyextra.com/article/international-history/nutshell-silk-road](http://www.historyextra.com/article/international-history/nutshell-silk-road)

China and the West were connected by a trade route that was formed in the second century BCE. It began when a Chinese envoy, returning after several years as prisoners in Africa, reported stories of magnificent Arabian horses. Contact with European civilizations and the Roman Empire led to a common route that connected the different areas. Silk Road was not a term used until the nineteenth century. It was called silk because that was one of the chief goods that was traded. This four-thousand mile route was in use until the late Middle Ages.

**Silk Road Threads Through History**


A trade route of legends, the Silk Road once linked Asia and the Mediterranean. Afghanistan was a crossroads for trade and culture due to its strategic location where Asia, Europe, and Africa meet. The valleys and rivers through the mountains were like superhighways for ancient traders. In the time of the Silk Road, Afghanistan was wealthy. They had successful agriculture, herding, and mineral wealth as well as busy outposts for traders. Ideas, religion, and influences also traveled on the Silk Road. Afghanistan was targeted by empires, but its climate and terrain made it difficult to conquer.

**Terracotta Warriors**

URL: [http://explore.org/videos/player/terracotta-warriors](http://explore.org/videos/player/terracotta-warriors)

Here is a 3 minute video with a brief look at the Chinese terracotta warriors. It was the tradition to start building a mausoleum as soon as a ruler took the throne. Over 700,000 workers and slaves created this underground city. He was a harsh ruler, even ordered the mausoleum workers buried alive so they could not give away the location. The irony is that the steel weapons held by the terracotta soldiers were stolen by peasants and used in a rebellion that led to the death of the Qin empire and the rise of the Han dynasty.

**The Terra-Cotta Army**


A clay army of more than 7,000 soldiers and horses was built to guard the tomb of the First Emperor of China. Each face was different. They were portraits of real soldiers. Each was hardened and painted before they took their place in the ghostly army. They looked like they were ready for battle. The terra-cotta army was life-size and the tomb took nearly 40 years to build. About 700,000 Chinese workers built the tomb and army. Crossbows were triggered to fire if the tomb was raided. Farmers found the tomb when digging a well.

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You will not need to use all elements for every citation.

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Understanding Containers

When the source being documented forms a part of a larger whole, then the larger whole can be thought of as a container. The title of the container is italicized, followed by a comma, since the information that comes next describes the container. A source may have two containers such as a magazine article found in a database. The article is found in the original journal and in the database. A given resource might have both a primary and a secondary container, depending on how that resource is housed and accessed. For example, a magazine article is a source. The magazine in which that article is found is the primary container. The database in which the journal is found is the secondary container. If a database is the producer and publisher of original content, then the database functions as the primary (and only) container, but most of the time databases are secondary containers.

Below is the general format for any citation -- whether it be print or digital. If the information is present, include it. If the information is missing, omit that component:

Author. Title. Title of container (self-contained if book), other contributors (translators or editors), version (edition), number (vol. and/or no.), publisher, publication date, location (pages, paragraphs URL or DOI). 2nd container's title, other contributors, version, number, publisher, publication date, location, date of access (if applicable).

Remember -- the following sample citations are single-spaced to conserve space -- your entire paper including the “Works Cited” page should be double-spaced.

Times New Roman 12 point font.

BOOKS AND EBOOKS

Elements of the citation for a book with one author:
Lastname, Firstname. Title of Book. Publisher, year.

Example for a book with one author:

Example of two author book - MLA p. 21:

Example of 2-3 authors or editors:

KEY: author title of source publisher publication date
Elements of the citation for a specialized reference book or chapter/section in an anthology:
1Author Last name, Author First name. 2“Section Used.” 3Title of Reference Book or Anthology. 4edited by Name of editor(s), 5edition, 6vol. number, 7name of publisher, 8year of publication, 9p (or pp.) page numbers.

Example of a citation for a specialized reference book or chapter/section in an anthology:
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Note: If the article appears on a single page, use “p.” only and the page number. If the article is multiple pages, use “pp.” and the page range.

GENERAL WEB PAGES
KEY: 1author 2title of container 1 (website) 3publisher (or sponsor of site), 4publication date 5location (url) 6Accessed day month year.

Example of journal articles accessed from online databases:
Example of article from the ProQuest Central database:
KEY: 1author 2title of source (article) 3title of container 1 (periodical) 4volume and issue number 5publication date 6location (pg. numbers) 7title of container 2 (database) 8location (url) 9Accessed day month year.

Example of article from the CQ Researcher database:
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Example of article from the Issues and Controversies database (SOURCE WITH NO AUTHOR IN A CONTAINER):
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Note: The publisher’s name, InfoBase Learning, is significantly different from the name of the database, Issues and Controversies. Therefore, the publisher’s name is listed.

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Citing an Email:
1Batt, Jack. 2“Spirit Week Research.” 3Received by Carl Owens, 419 September 2016.
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Note: When you cite an email in your list of works cited, use the subject of the message as the title. The title should be capitalized and in quotation marks.
Citing a Tweet:

Note: The full text of the tweet should be your title -- enclose the text in quotation marks.

Citing a Video from Classroom Video on Demand:

Citing a Video from YouTube:

BE AWARE THAT SOME DATABASE VENDORS DO A BETTER JOB OF PROPERLY CITING ARTICLES THAN OTHERS.

ABC-CLIO does a relatively good job of citing articles -- but states -- “Although every effort has been made to adhere to MLA rules, minor discrepancies may occur.”

ANNOTATED WORKS CITED GUIDELINES

What is an Annotated Works Cited or Annotated Bibliography?
An annotated works cited or bibliography is an essentially a listing of citations to books, articles, and documents. Each citation is followed by a brief (usually about 100 - 150 words) descriptive and evaluative paragraph, the annotation. The purpose of the annotation is to inform the reader of the relevance, accuracy, and quality of the sources cited -- in short -- you are asked to comment on and/or explain why each source cited is useful.

First, you locate the information (books, periodicals, and documents) that may contain useful information and ideas on your topic and briefly examine/review those works that provide a variety of perspectives on your topic.

Second, you cite the book, article, or document using the MLA style.

Third, write a concise annotation that summarizes the central theme and scope of the book or article.

This annotation should answer three main questions:

- WHO -- who wrote it; why is that person an authority or provide background of the author; or the group that sponsored it.
- WHAT -- what did it say; did it provide information or mis-information; compare or contrast this work with another you have cited -- does it agree or disagree.
- WHY -- explain why you think it is a good addition to your research. Also, comment on the intended audience -- who was the intended audience and most importantly why was it written.

Example for an article available from the ProQuest Direct database

The article discusses the “current evangelical wave” and presents a variety of methods and attitudes dealing with the work of this new brand of missionaries. It illustrates how both believers in Judaism and Islam are possible targets to these new evangelists. Also, it provides a general understanding of this missionary movement and of the goals and
dangers expected in achieving those goals. The article also presents a historical background to this current missionary wave and to past efforts elsewhere.

David Van Biema is a staff writer for *Time* magazine. This article is just one of many covering primarily topics dealing with the Middle East and/or religion. This article is the “cover story” for this issue of *Time* magazine and is written for the general public.

**In-Text Citation (Formerly Parenthetical Documentation) Examples:**
According to MLA, the author's last name and a page reference are enough to identify the source and the specific location from which you obtained material. As shown in the following example:

**REMEMBER:** Given the author's last name, your readers can find the complete publication information for the source in the alphabetically arranged list of works cited that follows the text of your paper.

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**NOTE:** Periods should always follow the parenthetical citation. They should NEVER go within the quotation. Only exclamation points (!) and question marks (?) should be included in the quote.
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8th ed. MLA Format for Text Pages

According to the 8th edition of the MLA Handbook, there are specific requirements and/or recommendations for the format of a research paper. If there are questions check with your teacher, otherwise the following MLA recommendations are the most common for printing or typing, margins, spacing, etc.

**Printing or Typing**
If you composed your paper on a computer, be aware of the following guidelines:
- EVERYTHING in your essay should be DOUBLE-SPACED. Everything including the heading, the title, the text, block quotations, and Works Cited page.
- Choose a standard, easily readable typeface (e.g., Times New Roman) and type size (e.g., 12 point)
  - Do not justify the lines of your paper at the right margin.
  - Turn off your word processor’s automatic hyphenation feature.
  - Print on one side of the paper only.
  - Be sure to keep a copy of your paper either in hardcopy or a backup copy on disk.

**Spacing**
A research paper must be double-spaced throughout, including quotations, notes, and the list of works cited or annotated list of works cited.

- The FIRST PAGE of the essay should have a HEADING. It should contain the following:
  1) your full name
  2) your teacher’s name
  3) course name
  4) the date
  20 Oct. 2003 (day month year format)

- Indent the first line of every paragraph 1/2 inch.
- Quotations of 4 lines or more should be set off as BLOCK QUOTATIONS indented 1 inch from the left margin — do not indent from the right margin.

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- Do not skip additional lines before or after the quotation. Also, do not indent the right margin.

- No page number at the bottom.
MLA Format for Works Cited


Elements of a citation

Authors' names are inverted (last name first); if a work has more than one author, invert only the first author's name, follow it with a comma, then continue listing the rest of the authors. Putting people's names in alphabetical order is done on a letter-by-letter basis. Ignore articles of speech: a, an, and the when alphabetizing citations.

The title of the article or book chapter is in quotations.
The title of the entire book is italicized.

Publisher
Year of publication
Page numbers of the entire article or chapter.