

Exam: Ancient China

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Letter Grade: A+

Part One: Choose the BEST answer. (2 points each)

A 1. What was the main contribution of Emperor Shi Huangdi to China?

- A) He unified most of China under one government.
- B) He established a public education system in China.
- C) He required citizens to use the Mongol language.
- D) He encouraged acceptance of the Hindu religion.

D 2. Which of the following shows that Shi Huangdi was a follower of Legalism?

- A) He provided landowners with more land for farming.
- B) He encouraged people to always act decently.
- C) He insisted that the Chinese people respect nature.
- D) He created a strong government with strict laws.

B 3. Why did Shi Huangdi have the Great Wall built?

- A) To unify the nation
- B) To protect the nation
- C) To beautify the nation
- D) To energize the nation

Shi Huangdi ordered the burning of all writings that did not agree with Legalism.

D 4. What can you infer about Shi Huangdi from the statement above?

- A) He was a tolerant leader who respected other people's beliefs.
- B) He felt that the other writings in existence at the time were weak.
- C) He believed that nobles should read different material than farmers.
- D) He was an intolerant leader who did not respect other people's beliefs

C 5. Which of the following best summarizes Liu Bang's approach to ruling China?

- A) weak and ineffective
- B) harsh and overly strict
- C) moderate and reasonable
- D) undisciplined and unfair

B 6. The seismograph was invented during the Han dynasty. What does a seismograph do?

- A) Increases the vitality of crops.
- B) Measures the strength of earthquakes.
- C) Relieves pain in the human body.
- D) Holds pages together in a scroll.

A 7. During the Han Dynasty, many Chinese turned away from Confucianism in favor of what religion?

- A) Buddhism
- B) Christianity
- C) Islam
- D) Daoism

L 8. The Han Dynasty was noted for its:

- A) corruption and inept government officials.
- B) use of nepotism to assign government jobs (give jobs only to people who were related to the emperor.)
- C) use of a civil service exam to select qualified people for government jobs.
- D) lack of government employees. The emperor did all the work.

D 9. All of the following were developed during the Han Dynasty EXCEPT:

- A) sundial
- B) acupuncture
- C) *fu* and *shi* styles of poetry
- D) gunpowder

Part Two: Matching. Match the "I" statement with the person or thing that might have made the statement. Not all of the choices will be used. (1 point each)

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| <u>E</u> | 10. "I took the name that means 'first emperor'." | A. bureaucracy |
| <u>F</u> | 11. "I was built to keep invaders from attacking China." | B. peasant |
| <u>B</u> | 12. "I am a farmer who tills a small plot of land." | C. diffusion |
| <u>H</u> | 13. "I am person of high rank, but not an emperor." | D. Confucius |
| <u>C</u> | 14. "I am the spreading of ideas across cultures." | E. Shi Huangdi |
| <u>A</u> | 15. "I am a system set up make sure the government has well trained officials to help make important government decisions." | F. Laozi |
| | | G. Himalaya |
| | | H. lord |
| | | I. Great Wall |
| | | J. Mrs. Anthony |
| | | K. Lui Bang |

Part Three: Fill in the Blank. Read each sentence below and fill in the blank with the best choice from the pair provided. (1 point each)

16. The 4,000-mile-long network of trade routes which stretched from China to the Mediterranean Sea was commonly known as the Silk Road.
(Silk Road/Central Asia)
17. During the Han Dynasty the army became more powerful due to the manufacturing of iron swords and armor.
(iron/silk)
18. The social classes in Han China were based on the Confucian system in which the merchants occupied the lowest class because they did not produce anything.
(peasants/merchants)
19. Under the government of Wudi a university was founded to teach Confucian ideas.
(Shi Huangdi/Wudi)
20. China was first unified under the Qin Dynasty.
(Qin/Han)
21. Under the government of Shi Huangdi the Chinese language was standardized.
(Shi Huangdi/Wudi)

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