1 | fall of Qing

- 1.1 | Manchu 12-yo boy emperor Puyi abducted in 1912
- 1.2 power vacuum competed for by 'regional warlords, loose alliance of students, politicians, secret societes, japanese, communist movement'
- 1.3 internal divisions and foreign influences paved the way for the ult victory of Mao Zedong claim
- 2 | warlord cliques
- 2.1 | dominated chinese politics for next 3 decades
- 2.2 | most powerful clique was in north china headed by Yuan Shikai
- 2.3 | Shanghai and Canton made second power center, favored politicians like Sun Yat-sen
- 3 | university students, teachers, and intellectuals
- 3.1 | played critical roles in civilization but were defenseless in force
- 4 | secret societies
- 4.1 | envisioned restoration of monarchical rule under a Chinese dynasty
- 5 | western power intervention and japan
- 5.1 | wanted to capitalize on power vacuum

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