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## **Chapter Review**

## 5-5b Key Terms

The Analects (Book of Confucius's sayings collected by his students.)

**Confucius** ((con-FYOO-shus) The fifth-century B.C.E. philosopher whose doctrines were permanently influential in Chinese education and culture.)

Dao de Jing (The Way of the Dao) ((DOW deh CHING) (Book of Changes) Daoism's major scripture; attributed to Laozi.)

**Era of the Warring States** (The period of Chinese history between c. 400 and 221 B.C.E.; characterized by the breakdown of the central government and feudal war.)

**Five Great Relationships** (Confucius's scheme of the five forms of hierarchical human relationships that govern family and community life.)

**Hundred Schools Period** (The period of cultural and intellectual creativity that occurred in the last centuries of the Zhou Dynasty in China, c. 550–221 B.C.E.)

**Laozi** ((lauw-tsuh) Mythical author of the *Dao de Jing*, or *The Classic oof Virtues and the Way*, which has served as the text for various versions of Daoist folklore and philosophy for many centuries in China.)

**Legalism** (A Chinese philosophy of government emphasizing strong authority.)

mandarins ((MAN-dah-rihns) Chinese scholar-officials who were trained in Confucian principles. Usually associated with the landed elite.)

**Mandate of Heaven** (A theory of rule, originated by the Zhou Dynasty in China, emphasizing the connection between imperial government's rectitude and its right to govern.)

**Shang Dynasty** ((shahng) The first historical rulers of China; ruled from c. 1500 to c. 1100 B.C.E.)

**Tian** (The Chinese name for a heavenly force that governed the entire universe.)

**Zhou Dynasty** ((joh) The second historical Chinese dynasty; ruled from c. 1100 to c. 400 B.C.E.)

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