

Ancient China

History, The ancient world

Year 7

Content Description

The organisation and roles of key groups in ancient society such as the nobility, bureaucracy, women and slaves, and how they influenced and changed society ([AC9HH7K10](#))

Key beliefs, values and practices of an ancient society, with a particular emphasis on one of the following areas: everyday life, warfare, or death and funerary customs ([AC9HH7K11](#))

Causes and effects of contacts and conflicts within ancient societies and/or with other societies, resulting in developments such as the conquest of other lands, the expansion of trade and peace treaties ([AC9HH7K12](#))

The role and achievements of a significant individual in an ancient society ([AC9HH7K13](#))

VR Learning Activities

Listening and Understanding: Students immerse themselves in the rich history of Ancient China by learning about significant figures such as Emperor Qin Shi Huang, Confucius, Sun Tzu, and Xiang Yu. They also explore topics like life, death, and the social hierarchy, gaining insights into the beliefs, values, and practices of this fascinating civilization.

Interactive Exploration: Through virtual environments, students investigate key aspects of Ancient China, including the Qin Dynasty's achievements, Confucian philosophy, and the roles of women, slaves, the terracotta army and various social classes. They uncover how these elements shaped daily life and the broader society.

Questioning and Critical Thinking: Students engage with thought-provoking questions that challenge them to reflect on the people, events, and customs of Ancient China. These questions encourage curiosity and deeper understanding of the era's complexities.

Key Learning Areas

Significant Figures: Understanding the lives, roles, and contributions of key individuals like Emperor Qin Shi Huang, Confucius, Sun Tzu, and Xiang Yu.

Life in Ancient China: Exploring the daily life, roles, and responsibilities of different social classes, including nobles, women, slaves, and peasants.

Social Structure and Hierarchy: Investigating the organization of social classes and how they influenced ancient Chinese society.

Cultural Beliefs and Practices: Examining the customs surrounding life, death, ancestor worship, and funerary practices.

Philosophical and Ethical Systems: Understanding Confucian teachings and their impact on governance, family values, and societal structure.

Conflict and Conquest: Exploring the causes and effects of wars, rebellions, and territorial expansion in ancient China.

Interactive Exploration: Engaging with virtual recreations of ancient Chinese settings to experience historical events and cultural life firsthand.

Critical Thinking and Questioning: Encouraging students to analyze and reflect on historical evidence, customs, and societal developments through inquiry-based learning.

Gender Roles and Contributions: Investigating the roles and experiences of women in ancient Chinese society and their influence on family and community life.

