

# KS1 History Knowledge Organiser: Another Place: China

## By the end of this unit, I will be able to:

1. Describe when and where the Shang Dynasty originated.
2. Know about the main primary sources for information about the Shang Dynasty.
3. Describe life for the rich and poor in ancient China..
4. Outline religious beliefs in Shang China.
5. Understand what a civilisation is and describe the main achievements of the Shang Civilisation.

## What I have already learned in History:

- (EYFS) Understanding the past through stories: Kings & Queens
- (Year 1) Explorers (Ibn Battuta, Robert Falcon Scott & Neil Armstrong)
- (Year 2) Significant individuals (Mary Anning), Our Cornwall (local history)

## Key Vocabulary & Concepts

<b>Civilisation</b>	An advanced, developed and organised society.
<b>Bronze</b>	A strong metal made from copper and tin.
<b>Dynasty</b>	Rulers from the same family.
<b>Tomb</b>	A place the dead and their possessions were buried.
<b>Emperor</b>	The ruler of a large area of land (an empire).
<b>Ancestors</b>	People from the past who came before the Shang.
<b>Archeology</b>	The study of the past through the excavation of sites.
<b>Diviner</b>	A person who foretells the future.
<b>Jade</b>	A green precious stone.
<b>Oracle bones</b>	Bones from cows or tortoises used to divine the future.



First Shang ruler King Tang comes to power



Bronze objects start to be made such as axes and vessels for ceremonies



Chariots start to be used in battles



First Chinese writing in form of characters on oracle bones



Death of Fu Hao whose important tomb tells us so much



End of Shang dynasty caused by bad behaviour of Di Xin. Land taken over by Zhou dynasty.

1800 BC

1700 BC

1600 BC

1500 BC

1400 BC

1300 BC

1200 BC

1050 BC

