

KS1 History Knowledge Organiser: Another Place: China

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

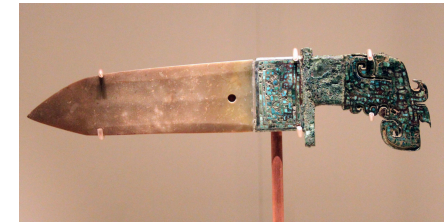
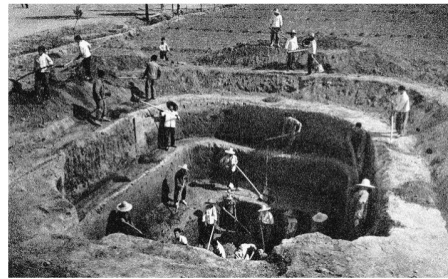
1. Describe when and where the Shang Dynasty originated.
2. Know about the main primary sources for information about the Shang Dynasty.
3. Describe Shang social structure and how life was different for rich and poor, men and women.
4. Outline religious beliefs in Shang China.
5. Understand what a civilisation 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)
- (Year 2) Significant individuals (Mary Anning), Our Cornwall (local history)

Key Vocabulary & Concepts

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



First Shang ruler King Tang comes to power

1800 BC



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

1700 BC



Chariots start to be used in battles

1600 BC



First Chinese writing in form of characters on oracle bones

1500 BC



Death of Fu Hao whose important tomb tells us so much

1300 BC



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

1200 BC

1050 BC

