Ancient China Test
Geography, Emperors, and Philosophies

Multiple Choice: Choose the best answer. (2 pts. each)

1. What is the name of the fertile soil deposited by the Huang He and Yangzi River?
   a. Nutritional gunk
   b. Yellow dirt
   c. Loess
   d. More

2. This river is a major river in China that floods unpredictably.
   a. Xi Jiang
   b. Qin Ling
   c. Huang He
   d. Yangzi

3. This is the mountain range that forms a natural border with India.
   a. Himalayas
   b. Rockies
   c. Appalachian
   d. Siberian

4. China was isolated because of
   a. Dynastic cycles
   b. The desire for cultural evolution
   c. The Mandate of Heaven
   d. Natural barriers

5. This natural barrier in the north separates China from Mongolia
   a. Xi Jiang
   b. Gobi Desert
   c. Himalayas
   d. Qin Ling

6. Which of the following features characterized the Shang Dynasty?
   a. Making of bronze castings
   b. A calendar based on the sun
   c. The widespread acceptance of Confucian ideas
   d. The end of the civil service system

7. Which of the following lists contains the proper order for the events in the dynastic cycle?
   a. Hereditary rule established, regression, decline, expansion
   b. Defeat of rivals, internal peace, decline, rebellion
   c. Decline, expansion, internal peace, defeat of rivals
   d. Founding, regression, expansion, chaos
8. A dynasty might be overthrown if
   a. Rebellions broke out.
   b. Farm production was lower than expected
   c. A leader lost a battle
   d. Any of the above events happened

9. The idea of choosing leaders according to their knowledge and skills, and not their family connections, was first established under the
   a. Qin
   b. Han
   c. Shang
   d. Zhou

10. The Great Wall of China stands as an accomplishment of the
    a. Zhou
    b. Han
    c. Shang
    d. Qin

11. Which dynasty introduced the use of paper?
    a. Qin
    b. Han
    c. Zhou
    d. Shang

12. Oracle bones were used by the Chinese to do what?
    a. Tell fortunes
    b. To play with
    c. Make toys out of
    d. Make weapons

13. The principle of the Shang and Zhou governments was what?
    a. Mandate of the People
    b. Mandate of Heaven
    c. Mandate of the gods
    d. Mandate of Nature

14. Confucius can best be described as a
    a. Religious prophet
    b. Ruler of a large Chinese empire
    c. Poet and writer
    d. Teacher and man of ideas

15. Which of the following statements expresses a Daoist idea?
    a. People can achieve peace by living in the present and not in the past.
    b. Governments can only keep the peace by threat of force or violence.
    c. People are not always what they seem to be.
    d. People can only achieve peace by withdrawing from the world.
16. All of the following were interests in Confucianism **EXCEPT**
   a. Respect for Elders  
   b. Family  
   c. Government  
   d. Sporting Events

*Fill in the Blank. Use the words in the word bank to complete the statement. (2 pts each.)*

17. Legalism believes that all people are ________________ ________________.

18. A Daoist’s goal is to become one with ________________.

19. Confucius felt that leaders should be honest and show ________________.

20. The writings of Confucius can be found in The ________________.

21. Confucius felt that everyone should accept an ________________ role in society.

22. Confucianism is not a religion, it’s a ________________.

23. Intellectualism and ________________ is discouraged in Legalism.

24. Legalism says a ruler must rule with a strong ________________.

25. Daoism believes that Dao is a force that flows through __________ __________.

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