

Cumwhinton School - CUMWHINTON CURRICULUM

History Curriculum Planning

YEAR 4

Year 4	NC Content	<p>Britain's settlement by Anglo-Saxons and Scots</p> <p>The Viking and Anglo-Saxon struggle for the United Kingdom of England to the time of Edward the Confessor</p> <p>The Achievements of the earliest civilisations - an overview of where and when the first civilisations appeared and a depth study of The Shang Dynasty of Ancient China</p>
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History			
Abstract themes across history Historical Concepts Historical Methods Historical Perspectives			
Mapping across the Year			
	AUTUMN	SPRING	SUMMMER
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CONCEPTUAL SCHOOL AMBITION DRIVERS

	EYFS & KS1	LKS2	UKS2
AUT	Diversity	Fairness	Individuality
SPR	Truth	Change	Resilience
SUM	Responsibility	Equality	Sustainability

History - SUMMER YEAR 4

THE WORLD - Equality

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The achievements of the Shang Dynasty

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Finding out (Facts & knowledge)	The Achievements of the earliest civilisations - an overview of where and when the first civilisations appeared and a depth study of The Shang Dynasty of Ancient China	<p>Suggested Teaching Sequence, with further information below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Explain where and when the Shang dynasty was in relation to other world civilisations. Here you might use a timeline so children can add the dynasty to it, amongst other eras they have learned about so far (Romans, Anglo-saxons, Greeks etc). Key question: What is a dynasty? 2. What was life like in the Shang Dynasty? https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z39j2hv/articles/zs3mm39#zpnvwx - useful video. You could also look at the different jobs people were assigned to do based upon their 'class'.

3. To explore the Shang army, weaponry and battles.

4. To describe the religion + Gods of the Shang dynasty and how we know about them - bbc has a good webpage to support this and it is a good chance to look at artefacts to explain how we actually know these things.

5. To explore the creation of writing by the Shang dynasty <https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/history-ks2-the-story-of-china-how-the-shang-invented-writing/zdcbmfr>

Children could use what they have learned to create their own pictogram story / diary of a day at school?

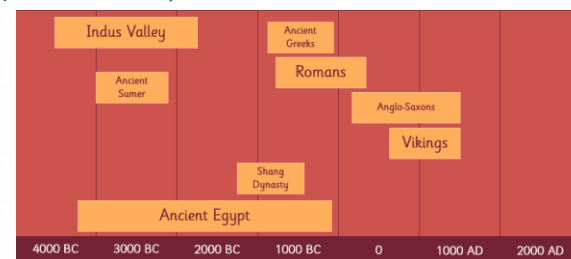
6. The rise and fall of the Shang dynasty.

Explore agricultural strength of the dynasty and the story of Di Xin and his fall from power.

1. What is a dynasty? Is it similar to what we have in the UK?

A dynasty is a line of hereditary rulers of a country. This means a person will inherit rule from their parent when they die or abdicate. What other words could we use for dynasty? House, family and clan
Locate where the Shang Dynasty was on a map of the world and on class timeline on the working wall.

Shang Dynasty 1700-1027



2. Introduction to the Shang Dynasty BBC Bitesize link:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z39j2hv/articles/z6xccmn>

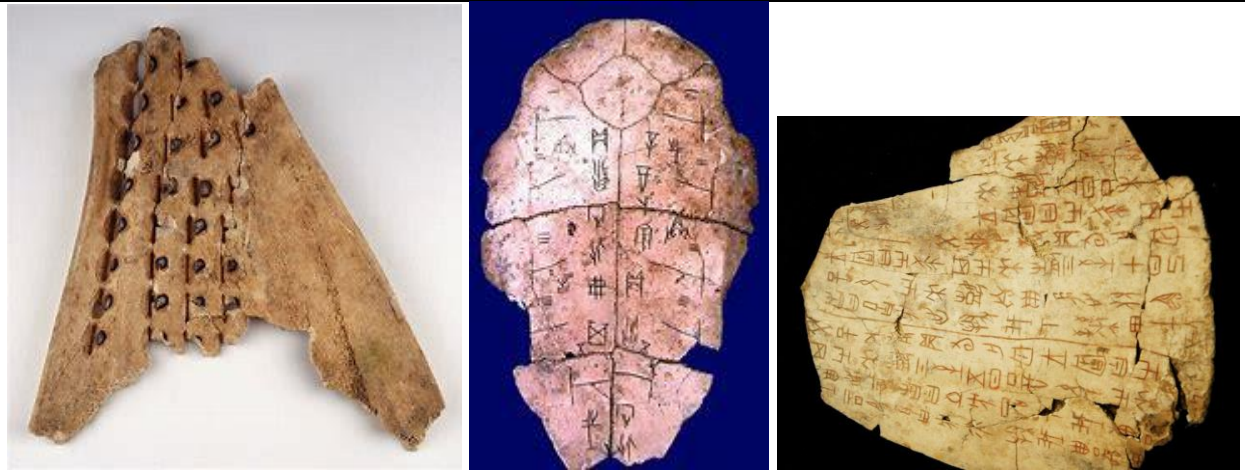
BBC Bitesize link: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z39j2hv/articles/z2ckrwx>

BBC Teach video link: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/history-ks2-introducing-the-shang-dynasty/zv79wtv>

What was it like to live in the Shang Dynasty in the plains of the Yellow River?

Life BBC Bitesize link: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z39j2hv/articles/zqtn6yc>

	<p>Jobs in the Shang Dynasty BBC Bitesize link: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z39j2hv/articles/zx8dcj6 More about jobs BBC Bitesize link: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z39j2hv/articles/z94nn9q</p> <p>3. How did the Shang army win battles? Winning battles BBC Bitesize link: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z39j2hv/articles/z98w4qt How the Shang army fought BBC Bitesize link: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z39j2hv/articles/zv4pp4j</p> <p>4. What were the religious beliefs of the Shang Dynasty? Their beliefs BBC Bitesize link: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z39j2hv/articles/zkrhhcw Who they prayed to BBC Bitesize link: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z39j2hv/articles/zc6h2nb</p>
<p>Using (Applying & analysing)</p>	<p>Who were the rulers of the Shang Dynasty and what did they do? In around 1600 BC, King Cheng Tang took power and the Shang dynasty began. Cheng Tang had the support of 40 other kingdoms when he came to power, overthrowing Jie, the last king of the Xia dynasty, who had been mistreating his own people. There are no photos dating back to the Shang dynasty, but examination of a number of different sources of evidence has enabled an artist to draw pictures showing what life could have been like</p> <p>What do archaeological findings tell us about the Shang Dynasty?</p> <p>5. History KS2: How the Shang Invented Writing video link: https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/history-ks2-the-story-of-china-how-the-shang-invented-writing/zdcbmfr</p> <p>Ask the children to find out what the Shang used them for? Why is it so important to have written evidence about an Ancient Civilisation? What does written evidence add to our knowledge of the Shang? How similar is Shang writing to our own? Use the pictograms at the end of the story to produce your own short story - Shang style. Look at a variety of artefacts from the Shang Dynasty, What can we learn from them? What was the Shang system of writing like? What were oracle bones?</p>



BBC Bitesize link: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z39j2hv/articles/zsm6qhv>

Concluding
(Evaluating &
summarising)

6. Why did the Shang Dynasty fall in 1046 BC?

History KS2: The Rise and Fall of the Shang video link: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/history-ks2-the-story-of-china-the-rise-and-fall-of-the-shang/z76mrj6>

Ultimately, a cruel and wicked king called Di Xin was judged to have lost the 'Mandate of Heaven' and thus, the people joined to defeat him, leading to the end of the Shang dynasty. Why was King Tang, and the Shang, were able to set up a successful dynasty?

Discuss the reasons it was justified to overthrow Di Xin?