Because of the deserts, mountain ranges, and oceans that isolated China from the rest of the world, explain *how other civilizations influenced Chinese culture* for the first few thousand years.

Just like Egypt, Mesopotamia, and India, early Chinese civilization arose near river valleys.

During the Shang Dynasty culture, respect for one’s parents and ancestors was very important.

**Complete this cause/effect flow chart for the *Mandate of Heaven*.**

A natural disaster OR invasion occurs 🡪 the people revolted against the ruling family 🡪 a new ruling family takes power

![C:\Users\dburke\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary Internet Files\Content.IE5\37XMNKN0\MC900215093[1].wmf]()Shi Huangdi unified China and created a strong central government in China:

* by forcing nobles to live at the capital city
* by building a system of walls (Great Wall of China)
* set government standards for weights, measures, coins, and writing

What are the basic beliefs of Legalism? Rulers use the legal system to force people to obey laws

Confucianism is the philosophy that promotes peace and proper conduct in society.

What are the central beliefs of Daoism? Humans live in harmony with nature (Yin and Yang)

A **civil war** divided China in **202 B.C**. and ended the Qin Dynasty.

Eventually, traders carried ideas and customs to and from China because the Silk Road was built.

MAP SKILLS: Study the map on page 269. Understand what the symbols in the key/legend mean.

* Identify the western city on the Silk Road that was NOT in China. Be able to color the orange shading that represents the Han Empire (China) if you had a similar map.
* Understand that merchants used rivers (boats) or the Silk Road (wagons) to transport goods.

READING A TIMELINE: Revisit the timeline on pages 248-249. Notice that it mostly shows B.C. dates.

* Know that events toward the right side happened AFTER events on the left side.
* Know that you can find the amount of elapsed time between two B.C. dates if you subtract them
	+ For example, how much time passed from the birth of Confucius until the Period of Warring States began? (answer: 148 years)

ESSAY TOPICS: You’ll choose one topic. **Start your response by restating the question**.

* Describe the influence of geography on early Chinese civilization
	+ physical geography of China’s borders, and the role played by outside invasions
	+ role of rivers in the development of civilization
	+ how the Silk Roads influenced or changed China’s development
* Compare (same) & contrast (different) the reigns of Liu Bang of the Han Dynasty and Shi Huangdi of the Qin Dynasty
	+ each ruler’s accomplishments
	+ kind of government philosophy each ruler established
	+ the treatment by each ruler of his people