

## The Dynasties of China

<b>Date of Power (years ruling)</b>	<b>Name of Dynasty</b>	<b>Special Notes</b>
	<b>Xia Dynasty</b>	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>* oldest writings</li><li>* writings were carved onto animal shells and bones (oracle bones)</li><li>* advanced farming by the use of stone plows.</li><li>* built first towns and cities</li></ul>
<b>1046 to 221 B.C.</b>		
	<b>Qin Dynasty</b>	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>* One of the strongest dynasties in Chinese history.</li><li>* largest population in the world (60 million)</li><li>* Silk Road was formed during this time</li><li>* Many inventions created (ex: seismograph)</li></ul>
<b>581–618 A.D.</b>		

	<b>Tang Dynasty</b>	
<b>960–1127 A.D.</b>		<b>* Were in power before the Mongols invaded China</b>
	<b>Yuan Dynasty</b>	
<b>1368–1644 A.D.</b>		<b>* Started many libraries</b>
	<b>Qing Dynasty</b>	