

East Asia Resource List

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BOOKS

Ancient communication: from grunts to graffiti /

by Woods, Michael (Examines ancient methods of communication in the Middle East, India, China, Egypt, Greece, Rome, and Mesoamerica.) *302.209 WOO*

The Boxer Rebellion: The Dramatic Story of China's War on Foreigners That Shook the World in the Summer of 1900

by Diana Preston *951.035 PRE*

China For Women: Travel and Culture (Historical essays and personal narratives focus on culture, history, and women's issues in China.) *951.05 CHI*

China since 1945 by Stewart Ross (Discusses the history of China from Mao's Communist takeover in 1945, through the Great Leap Forward and the Cultural Revolution, to the changes that have taken place since the death of Mao.) *335.43 ROS*

Chinese Art and Culture by Clare Hibbert (Illustrated overview of Chinese art and culture aimed at a young adult audience.) *709.51 HIB*

Chinese Civilization: A Sourcebook Edited by Patricia Buckley Ebrey (A comprehensive look at Chinese history from the Classical Period through the 1980s.) *951 CHI*

The Chinese Opium Wars by Jack Beeching (An account of a notorious period in nineteenth-century imperialism, when an effort by the Chinese government to stamp out the country's profitable opium trade resulted in a series of conflicts known as the Opium Wars.) *951.03 BEE*

Chronicle of the Chinese Emperors: The Reign-by-Reign Record of the Rulers of Imperial China by Ann Paludan (Wonderfully illustrated with photographs, art, and maps.) *951 PAL*

Confucius Lives Next Door: What Living in the East Teaches Us About Living in the West by T.R. Reid (Provides a unique perspective on Japan and its 2,500 year old Confucian tradition.) *952.04 REI*

The Doctor's Wife by Ariyoshi Sawako (A novel based on the life of the first doctor in the world to perform surgery for breast cancer under a general anesthetic.) *F ARI*

The Eagle and the Dragon :The History of U.S.-China Relations by Don Lawson (Traces the history of the relationship between the United States and China from the China trade in the eighteenth century to the reopening of official relations in the early 1970's.) *327.5107 LAW*

The Early Arrival of Dreams: A Year in China by Rosemary Mahoney (A memoir about the dreams and grim realities of Chinese students within the confines of an oppressive political regime after Tiananmen Square.) *951.242 MAH*

Early Japan by Johnathan Norton Leonard (A Time-Life history of ancient Japan.) *952 LEO*

Ebracing Defeat: Japan in the Wake of World War II by John W. Dower (A National Book Award and Pulitzer Prize winning book on the postwar era in Japan.) *952.04 DOW*

The Gate of Heavenly Peace: The Chinese and Their Revolution, 1895-1980 by Jonathan D. Spence (Spanning the years 1895-1980, this is a study of some prominent members of China's intellectual elite during a turbulent period of the country's history.) *951 SPE*

From Silk to Oil: Cross-cultural Connections Along the Silk Roads (A curriculum guide for teachers) *950 FRO*

The Good Earth by Pearl S. Buck (A poignant novel about the life and labors of a Chinese farmer during the sweeping reign of the country's last emperor.) *F BUC*

Hideyoshi by Mary Elizabeth Berry (Biography of the significant Japanese political figure, Toyotomi Hideyoshi.) *B HID*

Hiroshima by John Hersey (Told through the memories of survivors, this timeless, powerful and compassionate document has become a classic.) *940.5425 HER*

The History of Japan by Louis G. Perez (A narrative history covering prehistoric times through 1997.) *952 PER*

Inventing Japan: 1853-1964 by Ian Buruma (A concise look at one hundred years of Japanese history.) *952.03 BUR*

Iron and Silk by Mark Salzman (Salzman captures post-cultural revolution China through his adventures as a young American English teacher in China and his shifu-tudi (master-student) relationship with China's foremost martial arts teacher.) *951.058 SAL*

Japan by Peter Spry-Leverton and Peter Kornicki (An illustrated history of Japan.) *952.03 SPR*

Japan: Caught in Time (Historical hand-colored photographs of Japan.) *952 JAP*

Korea: Cultures of the World by Jill DuBois (Explores the geography, history, people, economy, and lifestyles of Korea.) *951.9 DUB*

The Korean War by Donald M. Goldstein and Harry J. Maihafer (A photographic history which examines the causes, strategies, weapons and battles of the Korean War.) *951.9 GOL*

Little Green: Growing Up During the Chinese Cultural Revolution by Chun Yu (A first-person memoir of a child's view of the Chinese Cultural Revolution.) *951.05 YU*

Lost names: scenes from a Korean boyhood by Richard E. Kim (Richard Kim's story of his boyhood and early adolescence in Korea at the height of the Japanese occupation, 1932 to 1945.) *B KIM*

The Lost Daughters of China : Abandoned Girls, Their Journey to America, and the Search For a Missing Past by Karin Evans *362.73 EVA*

Marco Polo: The Travels Translated and with an introduction by Ronald Latham (Chronicling the thirteenth-century world from Venice, his birthplace, to the far reaches of Asia, Marco Polo tells of the foreign peoples he meets as he travels by foot, horse, and boat through places including Persia, the land of the Tartars, Tibet, India, and, most important, China.) *951.025 TRA*

The Memory palace of Matteo Ricci by Jonathan D. Spence (A biography about a Jesuit missionary in China.) *266.2 SPE*

Mr. China's Son: A Villager's Life (A personal account of China in the 1950s before the Cultural Revolution.) by He Liyi with Claire Anne Chik *951.05 HEL*

Musui's Story: the Autobiography of a Tokugawa Samurai by Katsu Kokichi (A refreshing perspective on Japanese society, customs, economy, and human relationships.) *952.025 KAT*

North Korea by Christopher Salter (A comprehensive overview of North Korea's people, geography, history, government, economy, and culture.) *951.93 SAL*

The Rape of Nanking: the Forgotten Holocaust of World War II by Iris Chang (Recounts the horrible events in the Chinese city of Nanking under Japanese occupation in the late 1930s.) *951.042 CHA*

Red Azalea by Anchee Minn (An honest and frightening memoir of growing up in Communist China during the Cultural Revolution of the 1960s and 1970s) *951.05 MIN*

Red Scarf Girl: a Memoir of the Cultural Revolution (True story of one family's courage during one of the most terrifying eras of the twentieth century in China.) *951.05 JIA*

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Rice Without Rain by Minfong Ho (After social rebels convince the headman of a small village in northern Thailand to resist the land rent, his seventeen-year-old daughter Jinda finds herself caught up in the student uprising in Bangkok.) *F HO*

Riding the Iron Rooster by Paul Theroux (Author's memoir of his year touring China by train) *915.1 THE*

Shizuko's Daughter by Mori Kyoko (After her mother's suicide when she is twelve years old, Yuki spends years living with her distant father and his resentful new wife, cut off from her mother's family, and relying on her own inner strength to cope with the tragedy. [fiction]) *F MOR*

South Korea by Christopher L. Salter (A comprehensive overview of South Korea's people, geography, history, government, economy, and culture.) *951.95 SAL*

The Tale of Genji (abridged) by Murasaki Shikubu (A portrait of courtly life in medieval Japan, this is widely celebrated as the world's first novel.) *895.6 SHI*

Through Japanese Eyes by Richard H. Minear (Recreates the reality of everyday life by letting the Japanese speak for themselves using autobiographies, fiction, poetry, newspaper and magazine articles, letters, diaries, and historical documents.) *952 MIN*

Traditional Japan by Don Nardo (Traces the history of Japanese civilization from legendary times through the end of the Shogunate in the nineteenth century.) *952.02 NAR*

Visions of China (Photographs by Marc Riboud, 1957 – 1980) *951.05 RIB*

Waiting by Ha Jin (Portrays the life of Lin Kong, a dedicated doctor torn by his love for two women.) *F WAI*

When China Ruled the Seas: The Treasure Fleet of the Dragon Throne, 1405-1433 by Louise Levathes *951.02 LEV*

DVDs / VIDEOS

China: Born Under the Red Flag, 1976-1997: A Century of Revolution (Begins with Mao's death in 1976, continues with Deng Xiaoping, and concludes with the Communist Party control.) **VIDEO 951 BOR**

China: Mao Years, 1949-1976: A Century of Revolution

(Tells the story of the eight decades of upheaval in China, which followed the fall of its last emperor in 1911. Interviews with people who participated in the events described.) **VIDEO 951 CHI**

China in Revolution, 1911-1949: A Century of Revolution

(Tells the story of the eight decades of upheaval in China which followed the fall of its last emperor in 1911. Interviews with people who participated in the events.) **VIDEO 951 CHI**

China's Lost Girls (Host Lisa Ling examines the consequences of China's two-decade-old, one-child policy, as it is commonly called. To curb the country's exploding population, China limits most families to one child, or in certain circumstances, two children. Due to cultural, social and economic factors, traditional preference leans toward boys, so girls are often hidden, aborted or abandoned. As a result, tens of thousands of girls end up in orphanages across China.) **DVD 362.734 CHI**

The First emperor of China (Chronicles the period of Qin Shihuang's rule. From the grandiose inner sanctum of Emperor Qin royal palace, to fierce battles with feudal kings, this historical drama re-creates the glory and the terror of the Qin Dynasty.) **DVD 915 FIR**

The Great Wall of China (Modern Marvels) (Historical examination of the building of China's Great Wall.) **DVD 915.1 INS**

Inside North Korea: (Explorer offers a comprehensive look at the most reclusive member of the Axis of Evil, from the tense world of the Demilitarized Zone to the surreal life of the Dear Leader Kim Jong II.) **DVD 951.93 NOR**

Not One Less (A young woman is ordered to a remote, rural, Chinese village to be the substitute teacher and is told that she must keep the class intact for one month or she won't be paid. When one of her students disappears into the city to find work, she goes after him.) **VIDEO F NOT**

The Road Home (As a son helps his mother arrange for the burial of his father in the traditional Chinese custom of his mother's village, the beautiful and touching story of his parent's courtship unfolds. His father was from the city and came to his mother's village to become the schoolmaster. In the days of arranged marriages, the son discovers that his parents marriage was the first marriage based on love.) **VIDEO F ROA**

The Silk Road (A story of love and danger based on the novel Tonko by Yasushi Inoue.) **VIDEO F SIL**

A State of Mind (Connects culture, history and politics into a complex exploration of one of the world's most closed nations – North Korea.) **DVD 951.93 STA**

To Live (In a smoky gambling den in 1940's China, a drunken young man runs through his family's fortune, losing their ancestral home and all their possessions. This staggering loss proves to be their salvation ... and the first step in an odyssey of survival that will take them through war and revolution, love and loss, tragedy ... and triumph. Through the terrors of China's civil war, the passions of the communist takeover, the betrayals of Chairman Mao's Great Leap Forward and the tragic mistakes of the Cultural Revolution, their lives unfold

across four decades of momentous change ... bound by love, driven by the strength of the human spirit and touched more than once by the hand of fate.) *DVD F TOL*

The World's Longest Bridge (Modern Marvels) (Documents the construction of the Akashi-Kaikyo bridge that connects all of the islands that constitute Japan. The film spends some time showing why the structure survived the 1995 earthquake that rocked the city of Kobe.) *DVD 952 WOR*