**Ancient China Study Guide  
Complete on notebook paper. Make this Item 14 in your notebook.**

**Vocabulary (7 words): Copy and define each word. Also explain how they were shown in and/or relate to our unit*- trade route, dynasty, diffusion, loess, hierarchy, geography, philosophy***

**Discussion: Copy and answer each question in detail. Remember, it is better to write more than less to make sure you have covered anything that could be on the test.**

1. Describe the geography of China and explain how the geography aided in making Ancient China a successful civilization.

2. List and describe the 4 geographic barriers that surrounded Ancient China. Focus on where they were located and how they hurt China.

3. How did the Huang He River help and hinder Ancient Chinese civilization? Why is it referred to as the River of Sorrow?

4. What was the Silk Road, and how did it aid in the economic success of Ancient China?

5. What was Ancient China’s main export and how did it make them economically successful? What did they trade this export for and with whom (who were their trading partners)?

6. Other than goods (items), what other things were exchanged and spread along the Silk Road? What is this an example of (a vocabulary word)?

7. The Han dynasty positioned their capital city in Chang’an along the Silk Road. Explain why they would have chosen this location.

8. What challenges would a trader on the Silk Road face?

9. What was the purpose of the Great Wall of China?

10. Thoroughly explain the ideas of Confucius. Give at least 2 examples.

11. Explain how the following Chinese innovations helped the Chinese: magnetic compass, paper, and seismograph.

12. Briefly describe each dynasty: Zhou, Qin, and Han.

13. Explain the “Mandate of Heaven.”  What other civilization held similar beliefs?  What were those beliefs?