

Directions: Using your map, please answer the following questions. Use an additional sheet of paper if you need more space.

1. Find the Yellow Sea, the East China Sea, and the South China Sea. In what two ways might these seas have influenced China's history?
2. Find the Huang He (Yellow River) and the Chang Jiang (Yangtze River). Why do you think these geographic features were important in the early history of China?
3. Why do you think ancient civilizations never expanded or developed into the southwest or the far northeast?
4. The Great Wall of China was 1,500 miles long, 25 feet high and 15 to 30 feet wide. Why do you think it was built?
5. Why did many people of ancient China settle on the North China Plain (west of the Yellow Sea)?
6. Why was China isolated from other civilizations?
7. Why did several different ways of life develop in ancient China?
8. Which area of China would have had the highest population density? Explain your reasoning in your sentence.