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Shanghai dynasty

The Shang dynasty was the earliest ruling dynasty in China to invent writing systems. As they didn't have paper in around that time BCE (Before Common Era), they used tortoise shells and cattle bones (A.K.A oracle bones).

People in the Shang Dynasty used to believe in dozens of gods, but the most important one of all was Shang Di, the leader of the gods. They used to make sacrifices and give offerings to him.

The Shang Dynasty lasted five centuries. It was ruled by a family of 10 kings and people sometimes called it the yin dynasty. One of the most famous kings was Wu Ding, who ruled for 58 years.

Something else the Shang Dynasty created was the Chinese civilization. It was built along the Yellow river located in the Northern China Plain in Western China.

King Tang started the Shang Dynasty by defeating the Xia Dynasty. It started 1600 BCE and ended in 1046 BCE. Unfortunately, the Zhou Dynasty defeated the Shang Dynasty, and it sadly came to an end. A dynasty is a series of rulers or leaders who are all from the same family, or a period when a country is ruled by them.

Bronzes were important to the Shang Dynasty because the mineral produced better weapons for war. Lots of bronze was made along the Yellow river and was introduced to the Shang Dynasty around the same time the dynasty started in 1600 BCE.