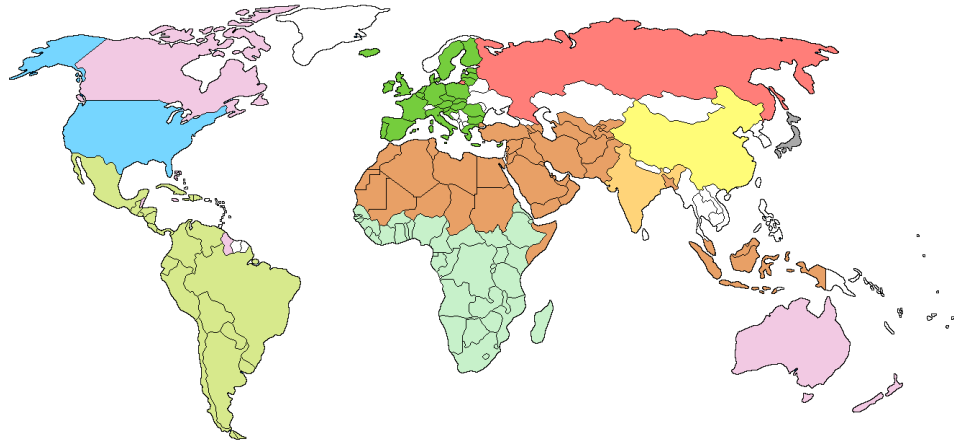
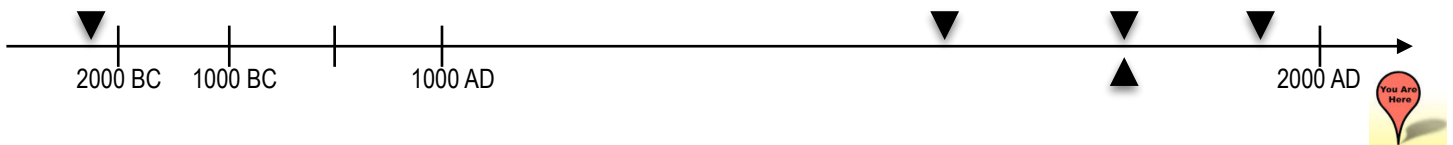


Part 1: Cultural Blocks and Anchor Facts

1. Label the ten major cultural blocks on the map below.



2. On the timeline provide, write the dates and a (very) brief description of the top five anchor facts of Chinese history. Find a way to indicate the four *periods* of Chinese history on your diagram as well.



Part 2: The Anchor Facts of Chinese History

3. What is it called when a ruler has all the power, but still tries to rule in a good way or on behalf of his people? When did rulers in China start to act this way? Who were the first two rulers to do it *and how*?

4. What is the name of the Chinese belief that China is the most important country in the world? How did they respond to European explorers and merchants because of this belief?

5. Who fought in the First Opium War, and why? What happened to China leaders soon after? Why did China not get a new government right away?

6. What kind of benevolent despotism did Mao Zedong believe was the best way to reverse China’s “century of humiliation”? What actually happened when he tried it?

7. What is the observable fact in all of our homes that shows that since 1978 China has achieved great success like the old Middle Kingdom it used to be? What is this part of Chinese history called, and why?

Part 3: Bonus

8. What famous Chinese person made rules for benevolent despots to follow?

9. Who wanted to make China into a republic like the United States?

10. Who fought against Mao Zedong in the Chinese Civil War?
