

Unit 3: Lesson 2: The Early River Valley Civilizations  
 Directions: Use MI Open Book pages 79-83 (Weebly)

## Characteristics of a Civilization - China

Characteristic	Evidence from the Textbook
<p><b>Cities</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;">3 pts</p>	<p>By what date did some of the first settlements begin to grow into cities? p. 80</p> <p>Why were these cities isolated from other ancient civilizations? p. 79</p>
<p><b>Government and Law</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;">2 pts</p>	<p>Explain government during the Shang dynasty. p. 81</p> <p>Explain feudalism during the Zhou dynasty. p. 83</p>
<p><b>System of Writing</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;">2 pts</p>	<p>Explain the system of writing used in China.</p>
<p><b>Specialization</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;">2 pts</p>	<p>List examples of specialization. p. 82</p>
<p><b>Social System or Hierarchy</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;">4 pts</p>	<p>Explain the social classes. Who was at the top and who was at the bottom?</p>
<p><b>Complex Technology and Achievements</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;">5 pts</p>	<p>What were some of the important developments technologically? List at least five developments. p. 83</p>
<p><b>Organized Religion</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;">2 pts</p>	<p>What did the Shang dynasty believe? p. 82</p> <p>What did the Zhou dynasty believe? p. 83</p>