CHINA SOCIAL ISSUES

Team Praxis

Family Life

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Q: Next week is the Chinese New Year. We are entering the Year of the _____?

A: Rabbit



Family Life

Q: In traditional China (pre-1949), How many obediences and how many virtues govern the "ideal woman's behavior" according to Confucian thought?

A: 3 obediences and 4 virtues

Obediences:

- Submission to the father before marriage
- Submission to the husband during marriage
- Submission to sons in the case of widows

Virtues:

- Propriety in behavior
- Propriety in demeanor
- Propriety in speech
- Propriety in employment

Family Life

Q: What are single women, nearing 30 refered to as in China?

A: "leftovers" -- without much hope of marrying



Distribution of Wealth

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Q: In 2009, what was the ratio of urban to rural average annual income?

- A. 2:1
- B. 1:4
- c. 3.33:1
- D. 18:1

A: C: 3.33:1





Distribution of Wealth

Q: What percentage of China's elite owns more than 40% of the nation's overall wealth?

A: 1%



Distribution of Wealth

Q: What does China consider to be the minimum income for it's middle class?

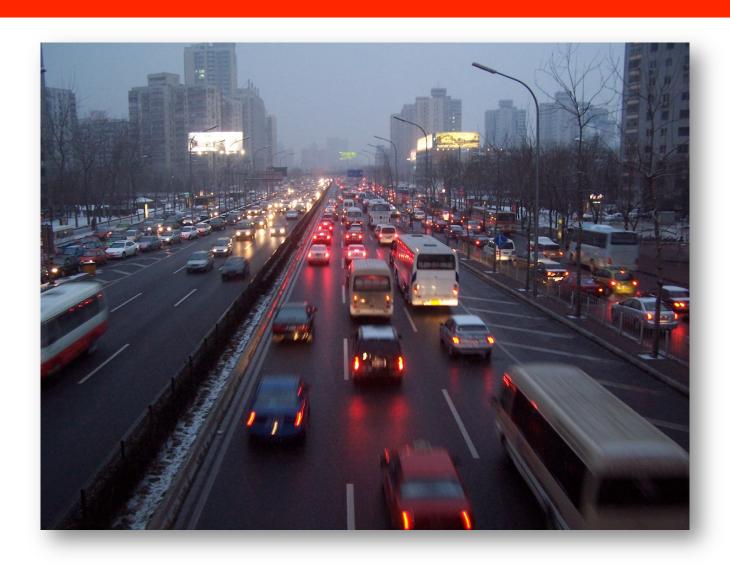
A: Y50,000 = US\$7300

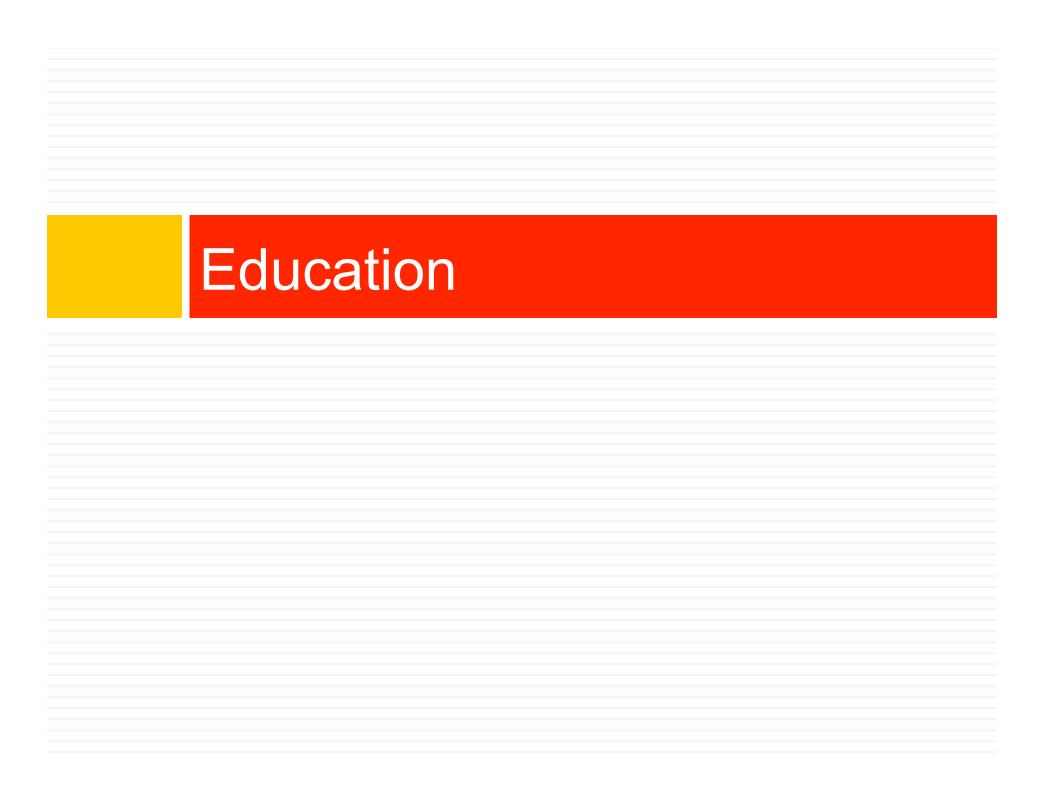


Distribution of Wealth

Q: If you can make it in one of these two cities, then you can make it anywhere...name the Chinese cities.

A: Beijing and Shanghai





Education

Q: Which of the following represents the competitiveness involved in getting into the best schools? Bribery, family reputation, scores alone?

A: Bribery



Education

Q: Which is more important to the Chinese: talent or effort?

A: Effort



Education

Q: What percent of young people in China feel that they are under heavy stress? 20-40%, 40-60%, or 60-80%

A: 60-80% (66%)



Censorship

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Q: When Googling "Tiananmen Square" what image will be displayed?

A: Images of a beautiful plaza covered with flowers.





Censorship

Q: What are three subjects on which reporting is banned in China?

A:

- Yuan revaluation
- Democracy
- Tiananmen Square protests of 1989
- Falun Gong
- Tibetan independence
- Taiwan independence
- Corruption
- Police brutality
- Anarchism
- Disparity of wealth,
- Food safety
- Religious content
- High medical fees

- Reform of the registration system separating urban dwellers from rural residents
- Appointments of Communist Party leaders
- Expansion of autonomy at universities
- The 2008 Sichuan earthquake and delays in reconstruction
- The beating death of a steel plant president in Jilin province
- Collusion between police and gangsters
- Real estate prices and the housing shortage
- Difficulties faced by university students in finding jobs after graduation

Censorship

Q: How many foreign films are cleared by the Chinese sensors to be shown within the country?

A: 20



Censorship

Q: What is another reason for China's ban on foreign websites?

A: Self Insulation



Censorship

- Q: What modes of communication are monitored by the Chinese Government?
- □ a. The press
- □ b. The internet
- c. Skype
- □ d. Text messages

A: All of the above



Social Landscape

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Q: China is a progressive country for women. TRUE or FALSE?

A: FALSE

- Women not encouraged to attain higher education
- Role as cook and mother
- Businesses prefer to hire men over women





Social Landscape

Q: Does social competitiveness play a role in Chinese society?

A: YES

- Social competitiveness is considered most important
- Scarcity of natural resources for over 1.3 billion people
- 1 child policy
- 5 million people took exam to apply for 12,000 govt. jobs



Social Landscape

Q: Do Confucian values still play an important role in Chinese society?

A: YES

- Past and present
- Humanity loyalty towards family
- Young generation Western values while maintaining
 Confucius principles of respect for the family



Social Landscape

Q: Does Chinese society place a high importance on money?

A: YES

- Money & power validation for personal success
- Devoted to advancement
- Individualism leads to materialism and competition
- Contrast to collectivism of Confucianism



Social Landscape

Q: To what extent is Western culture influencing Chinese culture?

A: Significant but less than media suggests

- Government resistance
- Foreign brands
- Language & Holidays
- Marriage & Food
- Western culture not embraced completely



