

Social Studies Notes for Test on China and Egypt (SOL 2.1)

Test date _____

The following notes are to help your child study for the social studies test on China and Egypt. It would also be helpful for your child if you keep all of the social studies notes this year to review for next year. The 3rd grade Virginia social studies test will cover information taught in 1st and 2nd grades.

1. Ancient people made contributions that affect the present world. Ancient means long, long ago. Contribution means the act of giving or doing something.
2. What contributions did the people of ancient China and Egypt make to the development of written language? The Chinese invented characters and symbols. The Egyptians invented hieroglyphics.
3. What inventions came from ancient China and Egypt? The Chinese invented the kite, silk cloth, compass, bronze, and fireworks. The Egyptians invented paper made from papyrus, the 365-day calendar, and the clock. Many inventions of ancient China and Egypt are still used today.
4. What examples of architecture from ancient China and Egypt are still present today? Architecture means the design of buildings. The Great Wall is in China. The pyramids are in Egypt.

	China	Egypt
<u>Written Language</u>	Characters, Symbols	Hieroglyphics
<u>Inventions</u>	Kite Silk Cloth Compass Bronze Fireworks	Paper made from papyrus 365-day calendar Clock
<u>Architecture</u>	Great Wall	Pyramids