

Task 1: What do the contents of Fu Hao's tomb tell us about life in Shang times?

LEARNING OBJECTIVES	KEY CONTENT AND SUGGESTED LESSON IDEAS	Read the information from the websites to help you answer the questions	ASSESSMENT
<p>Children should learn: to select artefacts in order to build up a picture of the past</p>	<p>Select some of the bronze artefacts and classify them into categories. Draw a labelled sketch of one of them.</p> <p>Where did the bronze come from? What does that tell us about Shang life?</p> <p>How similar and how different are they to bronze objects you have studied elsewhere [e.g. Bronze Age Britain?]</p> <p>What were bronze items mostly used for?</p>	<p>https://depts.washington.edu/chinaciv/archae/2fuhmain.htm</p> <p>http://www.messagetoeagle.com/peculiarfigurefu_hao.php#.U8Uog5RdVBM</p> <p>http://archaeologyexcavations.blogspot.co.uk/2010/07/archaeology-excavations-at-tomb-of-fu.html</p>	<p>Can you classify objects by use? By similarity and/or difference to other bronze objects studied?</p> <p>Why might this be?</p>
	<p>Select some of the jade artefacts and classify them into categories. Draw a labelled sketch of one of them.</p> <p>Where did the jade come from? What does that tell us about Shang life?</p> <p>What were jade items mostly used for?</p>	<p>https://depts.washington.edu/chinaciv/archae/2fuhmain.htm</p> <p>http://www.messagetoeagle.com/peculiarfigurefu_hao.php#.U8Uog5RdVBM</p> <p>http://archaeologyexcavations.blogspot.co.uk/2010/07/archaeology-excavations-at-tomb-of-fu.html</p>	<p>Can you trace the trade routes for jade?</p>

	<p>Explore Shang ideas of religion and gods by looking at the 'oracle bones' from the tomb, and finding out how and why they were used</p>	<p>https://depts.washington.edu/chinaciv/archae/2fuhmain.htm</p> <p>http://www.message-to-eagle.com/peculiarfigurefu_hao.php#.U8Uog5RdVBM</p> <p>http://archaeologyexcavations.blogspot.co.uk/2010/07/archaeology-excavations-at-tomb-of-fu.html</p>	<p>What were oracle bones used for. How important was ancestor-worship to the Shang?</p>
<p>You should have learnt:</p> <p>The variety and richness of artefacts in the tomb.</p> <p>The limitations of artefacts as evidence</p> <p>The difficulty of creating a picture of Shang life from only one tomb</p>	<p>Final activity</p> <p>Which aspects of life can we find out about by using the artefacts in the tomb?</p> <p>Which aspects of life can we not find out about?</p> <p>What else do we need to know? Where might we find out?</p>		<p>Can you find out about Shang China at this time by exploring the tomb?</p>