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Literature of Ancient China Introduction

Textbook Pages 426 – 433

Arts and Culture

1. What were the 3 main systems of thought that took hold in ancient China?
Explain at least 1 idea behind each system of thought in order to get credit.

1.

2.

3.

2. What are 4 important works that are a main source of information about China?

Moral Teaching Through Literature

3. What does didactic literature teach? What moral qualities does didactic literature focus on?

4. What is a maxim? What are maxims sometimes called?

5. Copy down one of the maxims on pg. 432 and explain what it means for full credit.

Maxim:

Meaning:

35

Points
Total

6 pnts

2pnts

2pnts

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6 pnts

1pnt

6. What is an anecdote?

1pnt

7. What is a parable?

2pnts

8. Explain the difference between an anecdote and a parable.

Literature of Ancient Japan Introduction

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People and Society

2pnts

9. What is a samurai? What is Zen Buddhism?

2pnts

10. Who held the lowest status in Tokugawa society and why? Explain your answer.

Arts and Culture

2pnts

11. What was it about Zen Buddhism that influenced Noh dramatic tradition?

3pnts

12. What is a tanka poem? What is a haiku? What does each of poems deal with?

2pnts

13. What do Buddhists believe?

2pnts

14. What do Zen followers of Buddhism practice?