

CHAPTER 5
Ancient ChinaThe Geography of China's
River Valleys**A. As You Read**

Directions: As you read Section 1, complete the statements below.

1. To survive in the dry land in northern China called the _____, people have always depended on rivers.
2. The Huang He, or _____, begins in the highlands of Tibet.
3. Early Chinese civilization started around 5000 B.C., when the people gave up their wandering way of life and began _____.
4. In ancient China, the most important part of society was not the state but the _____.
5. A household in ancient China might contain as many as _____ generations living together.
6. According to tradition in ancient China, men had a higher status than _____.
7. When a father died, all his lands were divided among his _____.

B. Reviewing Key Terms

Directions: In the blanks provided, write the definitions for the following key terms.

8. loess

9. dike

10. extended family
