China Vocabulary
Oasis

• A place where water can be found in a desert
Silt

- Fine particles of rock
Tributary

- A stream that feeds into a larger river
Maize

• Type of corn
Millet

- Type of grain
Mutton

• Meat from sheep
Human Sacrifice

• A person who is killed as a part of a religious ritual
Clan

- A large group of friends and family
Ancestor Worship

• Honoring ancestors through rituals, such as offering food and wine to the dead
Logograph

• A written character that represents a word
Economy

• A system of managing the wealth of a community or region
Feudalism

• A system of government based on landowners and tenants
Civil Servant`

- A person who works for government
Yin

• One half of the Daoist concept of opposing forces (opposite of Yang)
Yang

• One half of the Daoist concept of opposing forces (opposite of Yin)
Standardize

• To make the same
Exile

• Living away from one’s native country
Immortal

• Able to live forever
Bureaucracy

• A form of government in which a few people rule over many other people
Calligraphy

• The art of fine handwriting
Seismograph

- An instrument for detecting earthquakes
Compass

- An instrument for determining directions
Lodestone

- A type of iron ore
Toga

• A loose robe wore by men and women
Caravan

• A group of people traveling together