### Compelling Question

- **What impact does China have on ivory and rhinoceros horns? What should be done about the ivory/rhino horn trade?**

### Supporting Questions

- What is the current state of ivory/rhino horn trade?
- What role has this trade had in Chinese culture, historically?
- What are the arguments for or against trade regulations in China?

### Related Objects/Topics

- Rhinoceros horn cups
- Ivory statues
- “The Cost of Ivory Today” – video in digital rail

### External Resources

- “China says ivory sales will stop—the question is when.”
  [https://newsela.com/articles/china-ivory/id/10663/](https://newsela.com/articles/china-ivory/id/10663/)

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### How much control can a government have? How do people respond to government control?

- What is the relationship between people and their leaders?
- How do governments exert control over people?
- What would happen without government control?

### Supporting Questions

- What is the relationship between people and their leaders?
- How do governments exert control over people?
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### Related Objects/Topics

- Qin Emperor – Why did the Qin Dynasty fall?
- Connect to Terra Cotta Warriors

### External Resources

- “China Crushed protests 25 years ago, and won’t let it’s people talk of it.”
  [https://newsela.com/articles/tiananmen-square/id/3646/](https://newsela.com/articles/tiananmen-square/id/3646/)

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### How can we learn about the past without destroying the past?

- What rights do we have to historic objects/sites?
- What responsibilities do we have to historic objects/sites?

### Supporting Questions

- What are the costs/benefits to uncovering/sharing historical sites/artifacts?
- What are the costs/benefits to not uncovering/sharing historical sites/artifacts?

### Related Objects/Topics

- Neolithic Settlement Site Diorama
- Grave Relics

### External Resources

- “Temple Tourists Threaten Treasures in Buddhist Caves”
  [https://newsela.com/articles/temple-tourists/id/5488/](https://newsela.com/articles/temple-tourists/id/5488/)
- “Officials are giving the great wall of China a ‘graffiti zone’”
  [https://newsela.com/articles/asia-ozone/id/7345/](https://newsela.com/articles/asia-ozone/id/7345/)

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### What is the relationship between families? What responsibilities do we have to our families?

- How have families demonstrated their responsibility to each other over time?

### Supporting Questions

- What responsibilities do we have to our families?

### Related Objects/Topics

- Family artifacts—child’s robe, tiger shoes

### External Resources

- “China’s ‘orphan grandparents’ can sue absent Children for not visiting”
  [https://newsela.com/articles/china-elderly/id/566/](https://newsela.com/articles/china-elderly/id/566/)

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### What is the impact of pollution and the environment on daily lives? How has it changed over time?

- What are current environmental conditions?
- How are people impacted?

### Supporting Questions

- What are some solutions?
- What are some challenges?

### Related Objects/Topics

- Qing Ming Scroll
- (Suzhou in history)
- Spirit stones from Suzhou

### External Resources

- “Dirty Air takes years off the lives of northern Chinese, study says.”
  [https://newsela.com/articles/china-pollution/id/546/](https://newsela.com/articles/china-pollution/id/546/)
- “Air Pollution from Asia is blowing across the Pacific Ocean to California.”
  [https://newsela.com/articles/asia-ozone/id/7345/](https://newsela.com/articles/asia-ozone/id/7345/)
- Air Quality Index: Suzhou
  http://aqicn.org/city/suzhou/
  http://www.numbeo.com/pollution/city_result.jsp?country=China&city=Suzhou

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### What should students have to know to be prepared for advanced education?

- How do students prove their knowledge?
- Should different requirements exist for international students?

### Supporting Questions

- How should students be tested?

### Related Objects/Topics

- Items in Scholarly Exams case

### External Resources

- “Is the SAT a tool to impose ‘American Values’ on Chinese Students?”
  [https://newsela.com/articles/sat-chinesestudents/id/5101/](https://newsela.com/articles/sat-chinesestudents/id/5101/)
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