

History of Ancient China**Vocabulary Builder****Section 4**

bureaucracy

civil service

Confucius

ethics

Neo-Confucianism

scholar-official

DIRECTIONS Read each sentence and fill in the blank with the word in the word pair that best completes the sentence.

1. _____ means service as a government official.
(bureaucracy/civil service)
2. People who went to work for the government formed a large _____,
a body of unelected government officials. (bureaucracy/scholar-official)
3. _____ followed the teachings of Confucius, but also
emphasized spiritual matters. (civil service/Neo-Confucianism)
4. Confucius's teachings focused on _____, proper behavior,
instead of religious beliefs. (civil service/ethics)
5. In order to become a government official, a person had to pass a series of exams
that tested students' knowledge of the teachings of _____
and spiritual questions. (bureaucracy/Confucius)
6. A _____ was an elite member of society who received
considerable respect, a good salary, and reduced penalties for breaking the law.
(scholar-official/bureaucracy)

DIRECTIONS On the line provided before each statement, write **T** if a statement is true and **F** if a statement is false. If the statement is false, write the correct term on the line after each sentence that makes the sentence a true statement.

_____ 7. Ethics taught that people should conduct their lives according to two basic principles, *ren* and *li*.

_____ 8. Often, only 1 in 20 students passed the civil service examinations.