

**AN INTRODUCTION
TO
EAST ASIAN CIVILIZATIONS:
THE POLITICAL HISTORY
OF
CHINA, JAPAN, KOREA AND MONGOLIA
FROM AN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL
HISTORY PERSPECTIVE**

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<u>Pinyin</u>	<u>Wade-Giles</u>	<u>Phonetic</u>	<u>Pinyin</u>	<u>Wade-Giles</u>	<u>Phonetic</u>	<u>Pinyin</u>	<u>Wade-Giles</u>	<u>Phonetic</u>
A			cou	ts'ou	<i>it's o.k.</i>	gei	kei	gay
a	a	ah	cu	ts'u	<i>jujitsu</i>	gen	ken	guh
ai	ai	aye	cuan	ts'uan	tswahn	geng	keng	gehng
an	an	ahn	cui	ts'ui	tsway	gong	kung	goong
ang	ang	ahng	cun	ts'un	tswin	gou	kou	go
ao	ao	ow	cuo	ts'uo	tsaw	gu	ku	goo
B			D			gua	kua	gwah
ba	pa	bah	da	ta	dah	guai	kuai	gw-aye
bai	pai	buy	dai	tai	dye	guan	kuan	gwahn
ban	pan	bahn	dan	tan	dahn	guang	kuang	gwahng
bang	pang	bahng	dang	tang	dahng	gui	kui	g-weigh
bao	pao	<i>bow-wow</i>	dao	tao	Dow(-Jones)	gun	kun	gwin
bei	pei	bay	de	teh	duh	guo	kuo	gwaw
ben	pen	bun	dei	tei	day	H (much breathier than English "h")		
beng	peng	bung	deng	teng	dung	ha	ha	hah
bi	pi	bee	di	ti	dee	hai	hai	Hi!
bian	pian	bee-yen	dian	tian	dee-en(d)	han	han	hahn
biao	piao	bee-yow	diao	tiao	dee-ow	hang	hang	hahng
bie	pie	bee-yeh	die	tie	dee-e(nd)	hao	hao	how
bin	pin	been	ding	ting	ding	he	he, ho	heh
bing	ping	bing	diu	tiu	dee-oh	hei	hei	hay
bo	po	baw(dy)	dong	tung	doong	hen	hen	huhn
bou	pou	bo(nus)	dou	tou	dough	heng	heng	hehng
bu	pu	boo	du	tu	do	hong	hung	hoong
C			duan	tuan	dwahn	hou	hou	hi- <i>hoh</i>
ca	ts'a	<i>it's a boy</i>	dui	tui	dway	hu	hu	who
cai	ts'ai	tsai	dun	tun	dwin(dle)	hua	hua	hwah
can	ts'an	tsahn	duo	to	daw	huai	huai	hw-aye
cang	ts'ang	tsahng	E			huan	huan	hwahn
cao	ts'ao	tsow	e	e, o	ugh	huang	huang	hwahng
ce	ts'e	tsuh	ei	ei	<i>say</i>	hui	hui	h-way
cen	ts'en	tsehn	en	en	<i>undo</i>	hun	hun	h-win
ceng	ts'eng	tsehng	eng	eng	<i>lung</i>	huo	huo	h-waw
cha	ch'a	chah	er	erh	uhr	J		
chai	ch'ai	chahy	F			ji	chi	gee
chan	ch'an	chahn	fa	fa	<i>father</i>	jia	chia	gee-ah
chang	ch'ang	chahng	fan	fan	fahn	jian	chian	gee-en(d)
chao	ch'ao	chow	fang	fang	fahng	jiang	chiang	gee-ahng
che	ch'e	chuh	fei	fei	Fay	jiao	chiao	gee-ow
chen	ch'en	chehn	fen	fen	fun	jie	chieh	gee-e(nd)
cheng	ch'eng	chehng	feng	feng	fehng	jin	chin	gin (& tonic)
chi	ch'ih	chirr	fo	fo	<i>fore</i>	jing	ching	<i>jingle</i> (bells)
chong	ch'ung	choong	fou	fou	foe	jiong	chiung	gee-uhng
chou	ch'ou	choh	fu	fi	foo	jiu	chiu	gee-oh
chu	ch'u	chew	G			ju	chü	Jew
chuai	ch'uai	chwahy	ga	ka	gah	juan	chüan	jy-when
chuan	ch'uan	chwahn	gai	kai	guy	jue	chüeh	jy-whe(n)
chuang	ch'uang	chwahng	gan	kan	gahn	jun	chün	jy-win
chui	ch'ui	<i>which way</i>	gang	kang	gahng	K		
chun	ch'un	<i>which win</i>	gap	kao	hoosegow	ka	k'a	kah
chuo	ch'uo	chaw	ge	ke, ko	guh	kai	k'ai	kah-ee
ci	tz'u	<i>bits!</i>				kan	k'an	kahn
cong	ts'ung	tsoong						

<u>Pinyin</u>	<u>Wade-Giles</u>	<u>Phonetic</u>	<u>Pinyin</u>	<u>Wade-Giles</u>	<u>Phonetic</u>	<u>Pinyin</u>	<u>Wade-Giles</u>	<u>Phonetic</u>
kang	k'ang	kahng	ming	ming	ming	qia	ch'ia	chee-ah
kao	k'ao	cow	miu	miu	me-oh	qian	ch'ien	chee-en(d)
ke	k'e, k'o	k-uh	mo	mo	maw	qiang	ch'iang	chee-ahng
ken	k'en	<i>Lincoln</i>	mou	mou	Moe	qiao	ch'iao	chee-ow
keng	k'eng	kehng	mu	mu	moo	qie	ch'ieh	chee-e(nd)
kong	k'ung	koong				qin	ch'in	chin
kou	k'ou	<i>co-sponsor</i>	N			qing	ch'ing	ching
ku	k'u	coo	na	na	nah	qiong	ch'iong	chee-oong
kua	k'ua	kwah	nai	nai	<i>night</i>	qiu	ch'iu	chee-oh
kuai	k'uai	k-whi(te)	nan	nan	<i>Nanette</i>	qu	ch'ü	chee-yew
kuan	k'uan	kwahn	nang	nang	nahng	quan	ch'üan	chee-yew-
kuang	k'uang	kwahng	nao	nao	now	en(d)		
kui	k'uei	k-weigh	ne	ne	nuh	que	ch'üeh	chee-yew-
kun	k'un	k-win	nei	nei	nay	e(nd)		
kuo	k'uo	k-waw	nen	nen	nun	qun	ch'ün	chee-yew-
			neng	neng	nehng	win		
			nong	nung	noong			
L			nou	nou	no	R		
la	la	lah	ni	ni	knee	ran	jan	rahn
lai	lai	lye	nian	nien	knee-en(d)	rang	jang	rahng
lan	lan	lahn	niang	niang	knee-ahng	rao	jao	row(dy)
lang	lang	lahng	niao	niao	knee-ow	re	ke	r-uh
lao	lao	lah-w	nie	nieh	knee-e(nd)	ren	jen	ren(der)
le	le	luh	nin	nin	<i>Nintendo</i>	reng	jeng	rung
lei	lei	lay	ning	ning	ning	ri	jih	ih-r
leng	leng	lung	niu	niu	knee-oh	rong	jung	roong
li	li	lee	nu	nu	noo(dle)	rou	jou	row
lia	lia	lee-ah	nuan	nuan	nwahn	ru	ju	rue
lian	lien	lee-en(d)	nuo	no	gnaw	ruan	juan	r-wahn
liang	liang	lee-ahng	nü	nü	knee-yew	rui	jui	r-way
liao	liao	lee-ow	nüe	nüeh	knee-yew-e(nd)	run	jun	r-win
lie	lieh	lee-e(nd)	O			ruo	jo	raw
lin	lin	lin	o	o	ugh	S		
ling	ling	ling	ou	ou	owe	sa	sa	sah
liu	liu	lee-oh	P			sai	sai	sigh
long	lung	loong	pa	p'a	pah	san	san	sahn
lou	lou	low	pai	p'ai	(apple) pie	sang	sang	sahng
lu	lu	loo	pan	p'an	pahn	sao	sao	sow
luan	luan	lwahn	pang	p'ang	pahng	se	se	s-uh
lun	lun	lwin	pao	p'ao	pow(-wow)	sen	sen	sehn
luo	lo	law	pei	p'ei	pay	seng	seng	sung
lü	lü	lee-yew	pen	p'en	pun	sha	sha	shah
lüe	lüeh	lih-yew-e(nd)	peng	p'eng	pehng	shai	shai	shy
M			po	p'o	paw	shan	shan	shahn
ma	ma	ma	pou	p'ou	Poe	shang	shang	shahng
mai	mai	mai	pi	p'i	pee	shao	shao	sh-ow(l)
man	man	mahn	pian	p'ien	pee-en(d)	she	she	sh-uh
mang	mang	mahng	piao	p'iao	pee-ow	shei	shei	shay
mao	mao	mah-ow	pie	p'ieh	pee-e(nd)	shen	shen	shun
mei	mei	may	pin	p'in	pin	sheng	sheng	shung
men	men	muhn	ping	p'ing	ping	shi	shih	shr(oud)
meng	meng	muhng	pu	p'u	poo	shou	shou	show
mi	mi	me	Q			shu	shu	shoe
mian	mien	me-en(d)	qi	ch'i	chee	shua	shua	sh-wah
miao	miao	me-ow				shuai	shuai	sh-why
mie	mieh	me-e(nd)				shuan	shuan	sh-wan(der)
min	min	min						

shuang	shuang	sh-wahng
shui	shui	sh-way
shun	shun	sh-win
Pinyin	Wade-Giles	Phonetic
shuo	shuo	Shaw
si	szu, ssu	s-zz
song	sung	s-uhng
sou	sou	sew
su	su	soo, Sue
suan	suan	s-wahn
sui	sui	sway
sun	sun	s-win
suo	so	saw

T		
ta	t'a	tah
tai	t'ai	tie
tan	t'an	tahn
tang	t'ang	tahng
tao	t'ao	towel
te	t'eh	t-uh
teng	t'eng	t-uhng
ti	t'i	tea
tian	t'ien	tee-en(d)
tiao	t'iao	tee-ow
tie	t'ieh	tee-e(nd)
ting	t'ing	tinggle
tong	t'ung	toong
tou	t'ou	towpath
tu	t'u	too
tuan	t'uan	twahn
tui	t'ui	tway
tun	t'un	twin
tu	t'uo	tawdry

W		
wa	wa	wah
wai	wai	wah-yee
wan	wan	wander
wang	wang	wahng
wei	wei	way
wen	wen	won
weng	weng	w-uhng
wo	wo	water
wu	wu	woo

X		
xi	hsi	syee
xia	hsia	sy-ah
xian	hsien	sy-en(d)
xiang	hsiang	sy-ahng
xiao	hsiao	sy-ow
xie	hsieh	syeh
xin	hsin	syin
xing	hsing	syng
xiong	hsiung	syoong
xiu	hsiu	sy-oh
xu	hsü	syew

xuan	hsüan	syew-when
xue	hsüeh	sy-whe(n)
xun	hsün	sy-win
Pinyin	Wade-Giles	Phonetic
Y		
ya	ya	yah
yan	yen	yen
yang	yang	yahng
yao	yao	yow
ye	yeh	ye(nd)
yi	i	ee(k!)
yin	yin	lean
ying	ying	Englang
yong	yung	yoong
you	yu	yoh
yu	yü	yew
yuan	yüan	yu-an(d)
yue	yüeh	y-whe(n)
yun	yün	y-win

Z		
za	tsa	birds-ah
zai	tsai	birds-eye
zan	tsan	dzahn
zang	tsang	dzahng
zao	tsap	dzow
ze	tse	dz-uh
zei	tsei	dzay
zen	tsen	dz-uhn
zeng	tseng	dz-uhng
zha	cha	jah
zhai	chai	jahy
zhan	chan	jahn
zhang	chang	jahng
zhao	chao	jow
zhe	che	juh
zhei	chei	jay
zhen	chen	juhn
zheng	cheng	juhng
zhi	chih	jr
zhong	chung	joong
zhou	chou	Joe
zhu	chu	ju(ice)
zhua	chua	jwah
zhuai	chuai	jwaye
zhuan	chuan	jwahn
zhuang	chuang	jwahng
zhui	chui	jway
zhun	chun	jwin
zhuo	cho	jaw
zi	tzu	birds
zong	tsung	dzoong
zou	tsou	dzoh
zu	tsu	dzoo
zuan	tsuan	dzwahn
zui	tsui	dzway
zun	tsun	dzwin
zuo	tso	dzaw

PRONUNCIATION OF JAPANESE WORDS

Japanese phonology is much simpler and its standard romanization much more nearly congruent with pronunciation of the letters and syllables in English. Pronounce all letters and pronounce them as you do in English and you will be intelligible almost all of the time.

NAMES OF PERSONS IN CHINA, JAPAN AND KOREA

In all the East Asian societies, the family name (corresponding to our "last" name) traditionally comes first, and the personal name (our "first" name) comes last.

In Japanese, aboth names can have any number of syllables. In Chinese and Korean, most family names are single syllable and most personal names have two syllables. In Chinese, however, some family names have two syllables, and a number of personal names have only one syllable.

To further confuse the situation, western journalists often put East Asian family names last to conform to western practice, as do some East Asians who live in the West. Fortunately, as in the West, some family names occur quite frequently, and you will soon learn to identify them wherever they are placed.

The most common Chinese family names are Wang, Zhang and Li. The most common two-syllable family names are Ouyang and Sima.

The most common Korean family names are Kim, Yi (also spelled Rhee), Pak (or Park) and Wang.

Japanese family names are more various, and include such polysyllabic words as Araki, Fukuzawa, Nakamura, Saito and Ueda.

STAGES OF THE EVOLUTION OF EARLY AND HIGH CIVILIZATION IN EAST ASIA

TIME	N. CHINA	S. CHINA	KOREA	NORTHERN PERIPHERY	JAPAN
-120 H (BC 10,000)	Upper Paleolithic				Proto-Jōmon
-80 H (BC 6,000)	Yangshao	Qingliangang			Middle Jomon
-50 H (BC 3,000)	Late Neolithic Longshanoid [EARLY CIV. BEGINS] (Mythic rulers, Shennong, <i>et al</i>)		Full Neolithic		
-40 H (BC 2,000)	Bronze Age Xia Dynasty Shang local state		Late Neolithic [EARLY CIVIL.]		
-36 H (BC 1,600)	Shang Dyn.	Proto-Chu			
-30 H (BC 1,000)	Zhou local state W. Zhou Dyn. (feudal process) [EARLY CIV. ENDING]		Bronze Age Early Choson	Iron Age [?] Pastoral-Nomadism Begins Xianyun coalition	Late Jomon
-28 H (BC 800)	E. Zhou Dyn. Spring-Autumn	Chu, Wu Yue			
-25 H (BC 500)	Iron Age Begins [1st STAGE HIGH CIV.] Warring States Epoch		Iron Age Begins Middle Choson	Xiongnu coalition [EARLY CIV BEGINS]	
-22 H (BC 221)	Qin Dynasty		Late Choson (Wei Man)		Yayoi [EARLY CIV]
-22 H (BC206-AD8)	Former Han Dyn.		Lolang Chinese colony		Late Yayoi
-20 H (AD25-220)	Xin Dyn. (Wang Mang) Latter Han Dyn. [CRISIS OF CIV. BEGINS]		Koguryo, Paekche		
-17 H lus	W. Jin Dyn.		Silla		Early Tumu-
-17 H lus	N. & S. Dynasties		[1st STAGE HIGH CIV]	Xianbei coalition	Late Tumu-
CIV]				[1stSTAGE HIGH CIV]	[1stSTG H
-14 H (AD 600)	[2nd STAGE HIGH CIV] Sui Dyn.				
-12 H	Tang Dyn		Unified Silla Dyn.		Taika, Nara Heian
-10 H	Five Dyn. Ten Kingdoms N. Song Dyn.		Koryo Dyn.	[2ndSTAGE HIGH CIV] Liao Dyn. (Khitan)	
-9 H	S. Song Dyn.		[2ndSTAGE HIGH CIV]	Jin Dyn. (Jurched)	Kamakura
-8 H	Yuan Dyn. (Mongols)			Yuan Dyn. (Mongols)	(feudal process)
-6 H	Ming Dyn.		Yi Dyn.	Mongolian state	
Ashikaga					
-4/3 H	Qing Dynasty				[2nd STG H.C.] Tokugawa

-1.2 H				
-0.8 H	Republic of China	Japanese rule	Russian satellite	Meiji Restor.
Taisho, Showa				
-0.5-0.0 H	PRC	N. & S. division	independence	Heisei era

EAST ASIA'S THREE GEOGRAPHIC ZONES

