

# Confucius

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Thinker and Social Philosopher

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Confucius was born in the small state of \_\_\_\_\_.

Chinese plain in the late Spring and Autumn period (5th century BC)



He was born into an aristocratic family. His father

\_\_\_\_\_.

His mother \_\_\_\_\_.

Confucius, received training in the traditional six subjects to be studied: "rites, music, archery, chariot driving, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

As a teenager, Confucius worked as a \_\_\_\_\_, shepherd and minor posts in the \_\_\_\_\_.



He loved \_\_\_\_\_.

He married at the age of \_\_\_\_\_.

In his thirties, Confucius started \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_. He became known as the  
first teacher in China who wanted to provide  
\_\_\_\_\_.

Confucius lived in a time of political \_\_\_\_\_. This  
period was known as the \_\_\_\_\_. Many of  
his teachings and sayings emphasized proper conduct and behavior which would  
result in political stability. He felt that education was essential in the  
development of just leaders.

Confucius's teachings had great influence in Chinese society. He placed a lot of  
emphasis on relationships and one's role in society. He advocated an honest and  
fair government.

His philosophies influenced the Chinese educational, governmental and family  
systems. He emphasized five relationships in society: (1) \_\_\_\_\_ and  
subject; (2) father and \_\_\_\_\_; (3) husband and \_\_\_\_\_;  
(4) elder brother and \_\_\_\_\_; and (5) friend  
and \_\_\_\_\_.

One of Confucius's major teachings was  
\_\_\_\_\_ piety, which means devotion to one's  
\_\_\_\_\_. He emphasized proper  
social \_\_\_\_\_ and etiquette.



# Famous Sayings:



A journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step.

An oppressive government is more to be feared than a tiger.

Forget injuries, never forget kindnesses.

Respect yourself and others will respect you.

He who learns but does not think is lost. He who thinks but does not learn is in great danger.

What the superior man seeks is in himself; what the small man seeks is in others.

The gentleman is calm and peaceful; the small man is always emotional.

In his attitude to the world the gentleman has no antagonisms and no favoritisms. What is right he sides with.

If one acts with a view to profit, there will be much resentment.

It does not matter how slowly you go so long as you do not stop.

One who can bring about the practice of five things everywhere under Heaven has achieved humanity... courtesy, tolerance, good faith, diligence, and kindness.

"Exemplary persons make demands on themselves, while petty persons make demands on others."

Life is really simple, but we insist on making it complicated.

Everything has beauty, but not everyone sees it.

Our greatest glory is not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall.

# Confucius Answers

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Confucius was born in the small state of Lu



He was born into an aristocratic family. His father died when he was 3.

His mother educated him at home. Confucius, received training in the traditional six subjects to be studied: "rites, music, archery, chariot driving, writing and mathematics.

As a teenager, Confucius worked as a book keeper, shepherd and minor posts in the government.

He loved learning

He married at the age of 19

In his thirties, Confucius started teaching He became known as the first teacher in China who wanted to provide education for all

Confucius lived in a time of political violence. This period was known as the Warring States period. Many of his teachings and sayings emphasized proper conduct and behavior which would result in political stability. He felt that education was essential in the development of just leaders.

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One of Confucius's major teachings was filial piety, which means devotion to one's parents. He emphasized proper social behavior and etiquette.