## IPC SLAVERY IN CHINA

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Introduction to slavery

Slavery is when a person is paid minimum wage and respect for doing hard work and terrible labour. In ancient China, you would become a slave because your mum was a slave or they were paying a debt. Slaves were tortured and most of the slaves were children, they were everywhere. In China, it would take many centuries of history before slavery was banned.

Qin dynasty (221-206 B.C)

The Qin Dynasty was an very important dynasty in the history of China. During the Qin Dynasty, captured people were made into slaves. During the Qin dynasty the great wall of china was built and it was built with slaves and criminals .The lives of slaves were filled with hardship and many were abused, also many were children.

Most people who were slaves worked in the fields, alongside with peasants. They did the same job, and had the same hours, and pretty much the same clothing and food, as free farmers. But they were not treated with the same respect given to farmers. Some slaves built roads. Some worked in government. Qin was a legalist. A legalist believes that people are basically bad. That's why it is necessary to control every minute of their life. Otherwise, they'll do bad things, which could hurt others. So that might be the reason that slavery was so bad during the Qin dynasty.

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Slaves building the great wall.



Han dynasty

CHINA FROM 206 B.C. TO 220 A.D



Many new things happened during Han times, and one of the things is the silk road, the rich did not send their children to public schools. Most were tutored at home, or in small groups. Education was important in the Han times, because of that, public schools were started. It was only for boys, but it was free.

The Grand School was the big one in the capital city. People wanted to learn new skills and get a better job, where people were paid for working.

Tang Dynasty

The Tang Dynasty is famous for it's encouragement of literature, dancing, music, scroll painting, and art.

However, you first had to pass an examination. Examination Day was a big deal. It was everyone's chance to move up in the world!



The city was arranged in blocks, there were 110 blocks and each block was its own village.

Like any city, some blocks were beautiful and some blocks were pretty rough.

Under the Tang Dynasty, only boys could go to school. They did not have to go, but school was free. Girls were taught at home .When a girl married, she left her home and lived with her husband's family. In the city, the rich had a lot of fun with their homes, they had toilets, bathrooms and much more...

The rich was served by their slaves.

Foot binding

## 618 TO 906 A.D.

Foot Binding as known as (Lotus feet) started in the 10th century in ancient China they used cloth to tie your feet tightly and for a long amount of time. In ancient China there were no high heels or even shoes they used to change your feet only to attract men in order to marry a rich, wealthy man. You would only get to foot bind when you were in a royal family

They used to do foot binding when you were young ,about 5 years old, by then your foot hasn't developed yet so it would be easier to bind your feet.

They did foot binding because it made men think small feet were attractive and if your bones were broken you would have to walk in an elegant way that makes you more attractive .

Ming dynasty



Ming dynasty ruled China from 1368 - 1644 A.D. During this time in China the world 's doubled its population. Ming dynasty is also remembered for its drama, literature and world-renowned porcelain. What was bad about the Ming dynasty was a combination of factors, including and economic disasters due to the lack of silver, a series of natural disasters, peasant uprisings, and attacks by the Manchu people.

The Hongwu Emperor of the Ming dynasty (1368–1644 AD) sought to abolish all forms of slavery because the slaves were punished unfairly but in practice, slavery continued through the Ming dynasty. The Javans sent 300 black slaves as tribute to the Ming dynasty in 1381.



Family and school in ancient China

The father would make most of the decisions and the mother would stay at home and take care of the children. The parents would give the son in the family good food, education and learn about religion, whereas the girls would stay at home with the mother to prepare for the life as a housewife and also bind their feet. Marriages were also arranged by the parents. Because only boys went to school, all the jobs were given to boys.

Not only does this mean that the boys would be smarter and better than girls, but it would lead to many centuries of stereotyping of the two genders.



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