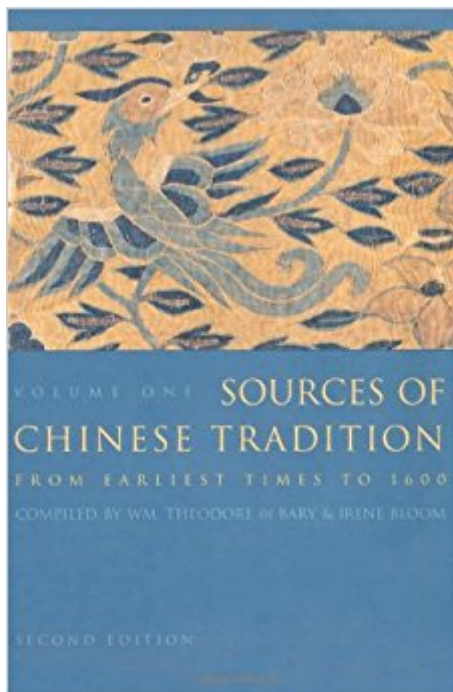


The book was found

# Sources Of Chinese Tradition, Vol. 1



## Synopsis

A collection of seminal primary readings on the social, intellectual, and religious traditions of China, *Sources of Chinese Tradition, Volume 1* has been widely used and praised for almost forty years as an authoritative resource for scholars and students and as a thorough and engaging introduction for general readers. Here at last is a completely revised and expanded edition of this classic sourcebook, compiled by noted China scholars Wm. Theodore de Bary and Irene Bloom. Updated to reflect recent scholarly developments, with extensive material on popular thought and religion, social roles, and women's education, this edition features new translations of more than half the works from the first edition, as well as many new selections. Arranged chronologically, this anthology is divided into four parts, beginning at the dawn of literate Chinese civilization with the Oracle-Bone inscriptions of the late Shang dynasty (1571–1045 B.C.E.) and continuing through the end of the Ming dynasty (C.E. 1644). Each chapter has an introduction that provides useful historical context and offers interpretive strategies for understanding the readings. The first part, *The Chinese Tradition in Antiquity*, considers the early development of Chinese civilization and includes selections from Confucius's *Analects*, the texts of Mencius and Laozi, as well as other key texts from the Confucian, Daoist, and Legalist schools. Part 2, *The Making of a Classical Culture*, focuses on Han China with readings from the *Classic of Changes* (*I Jing*), the *Classic of Filiality*, major Han syntheses, and the great historians of the Han dynasty. The development of Buddhism, from the earliest translations from Sanskrit to the central texts of the Chan school (which became Zen in Japan), is the subject of the third section of the book. Titled *Later Daoism and Mahayana Buddhism in China*, this part also covers the teachings of Wang Bi, Daoist religion, and texts of the major schools of Buddhist doctrine and practice. The final part, *The Confucian Revival and Neo-Confucianism*, details the revival of Confucian thought in the Tang, Song, and Ming periods, with historical documents that link philosophical thought to political, social, and educational developments in late imperial China. With annotations, a detailed chronology, glossary, and a new introduction by the editors, *Sources of Chinese Tradition* will continue to be a standard resource, guidebook, and introduction to Chinese civilization well into the twenty-first century.

## Book Information

Series: Introduction to Asian Civilizations

Paperback: 998 pages

Publisher: Columbia University Press; 2nd edition (July 1999)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 0231109393

ISBN-13: 978-0231109390

Product Dimensions: 6.2 x 1.8 x 9.2 inches

Shipping Weight: 3.2 pounds (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: 4.6 out of 5 stars 16 customer reviews

Best Sellers Rank: #48,556 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #16 in [Books > Travel > Asia > China > General](#) #40 in [Books > Textbooks > Humanities > History > Asia](#) #44 in [Books > History > Asia > China](#)

## Customer Reviews

"This masterful compilation is the most comprehensive sourcebook of chinese civilization ever published in a Western language." -- PLA, Appearing in University Press Books Selected for Public and Secondary School Libraries, "Journal of Chinese Religions"

Widely used and praised for almost forty years as an authoritative resource for scholars and students and as a thorough and engaging introduction for general readers, Sources of Chinese Tradition, Volume 1 has been dramatically updated to reflect recent scholarly developments, with extensive material on popular thought and religion, social roles, and women's education. This edition features new translations of more than half the works from the first edition, as well as many new selections.

This is a wonderful book with hard to find translations. If you want to deepen your understanding of China this is a great book.

Nice book!

De Bary and colleagues have compiled useful original documents to illustrate the major trends and traditions in China over the millennia

Bought this book for a course. Comprehensive - very detailed accounts of history and philosophy. The professor doesn't really "teach," so this book has been an invaluable resource.

I think the book is excellent and it is exactly what is meant for. However, the Chinese historical

sources are so far away from my mindset that I found it difficult and quite boring. Try first the second volume first (it is more meant for non-historians or non-philosophers). In case you love it you can try the first one.

I am a native Chinese and I am a political science major student in a relatively prestigious school. I have been knowing Chinese history for years, with living in China and study Chinese history in my high school. HOWEVER, this book is truly amazing and revealed many things and insights about my own cultural roots. A must read! Highly recommended!

the book content is great and detailed, yet it is not as new as I expected, still, I am really satisfied with the price and the quality!

Bought it for a college course and surprise (!) ended up reading it! It can be a bit dry of course, but its a pretty interesting read if you're into that kind of stuff. If you have no interest in history well then obviously this book is not for you. Also it is HUGE. I definitely did not read the entire textbook. At whatever price you are paying for this book, the price per page is less than a penny. It weighs about 5 pounds and is fatter than a two cheeseburgers stacked on top of each other. Still, decent read, heavy, and if you can get it for under 10 dollars you are probably getting a good deal.

[Download to continue reading...](#)

Chinese: Crash Course Chinese - Learn Chinese Fast With a Native Speaker: 500+ Essential Phrases to Build Your Chinese Vocabulary, Chinese, Learn Chinese, Chinese Phrasebook, Mandarin Study Aid I Love to Share (English Chinese kids, Chinese children's books): Mandarin kids books, Chinese bilingual books, Chinese baby books (English Chinese Bilingual Collection) (Chinese Edition) Chinese Bilingual Books: I Love to Brush My Teeth (chinese kids books, chinese children's books): English Chinese Children books (Chinese Bilingual Collection) (Chinese Edition) Chinese Children's Books: I Love My Dad (English Chinese Bilingual): chinese bilingual children's books (English Chinese Bilingual Collection) (Chinese Edition) Chinese baby book: Where is the Baby: English-Chinese picture book (Simplified Chinese book) (Bilingual Edition) Early Reader Chinese book for ... books for kids) (Volume 7) (Chinese Edition) I Love to Tell the Truth (chinese english bilingual, chinese children stories, mandarin kids books ): mandarin childrens books, bilingual chinese (Chinese English Bilingual Collection) (Chinese Edition) I Love to Share (mandarin childrens books, chinese baby books): kids books in chinese, chinese children stories, mandarin kids (Chinese Bedtime Collection) (Chinese Edition) I Love to Tell the Truth ( chinese kids books,

mandarin childrens books): mandarin kids books, kids books in chinese, chinese children's books (Chinese Bedtime Collection) (Chinese Edition) Welcome to Chinese Food World: Unlock EVERY Secret of Cooking Through 500 AMAZING Chinese Recipes (Chinese Cookbook, Chinese Food Made Easy, Healthy Chinese Recipes) (Unlock Cooking, Cookbook [#13]) Sources of Chinese Tradition, Vol. 1 Sources of Chinese Tradition, Vol. 2: From 1600 Through the Twentieth Century (Introduction to Asian Civilizations) Chinese Cookbook - 25 Delicious Chinese Recipes to Chinese Food Made Easy: Recipes from Chinese Restaurants Integrated Chinese: Level 2 Part 2 Character Workbook ( Traditional & Simplified Chinese Character, 3rd Edition) (Cheng & Tsui Chinese Language Series) (Chinese Edition) Sources of East Asian Tradition, Vol. 1: Premodern Asia (Introduction to Asian Civilizations) Sources of East Asian Tradition, Vol. 2: The Modern Period (Introduction to Asian Civilizations) Sources of Korean Tradition, Vol. 1: From Early Times Through the 16th Century (Introduction to Asian Civilizations) Sources of Indian Tradition, Vol. 1: From the Beginning to 1800 (Introduction to Oriental Civilizations) Let's Grill! Best BBQ Recipes Box Set: Best BBQ Recipes from Texas (vol.1), Carolinas (Vol. 2), Missouri (Vol. 3), Tennessee (Vol. 4), Alabama (Vol. 5), Hawaii (Vol. 6) Best Asian Recipes from Mama Li's Kitchen BookSet - 4 books in 1: Chinese Take-Out Recipes (Vol 1); Wok (Vol 2); Asian Vegetarian and Vegan Recipes (Vol 3); Egg Roll, Spring Roll and Dumpling (Vol 4) Chinese Acupuncture and Moxibustion: A Practical English-Chinese Library of Traditional Chinese Medicine

[Contact Us](#)

[DMCA](#)

[Privacy](#)

[FAQ & Help](#)