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Lesson Title: Ancient China and the Peasant Emperor

Grade Level: 7

Essential Question: How do revolutionaries turn into conservatives?

Lesson Foundations

Content Standards	OHSSG7 #4: The Mongols conquered much of Asia which led to unified states in China and Korea. Mongol failure to conquer Japan allowed a feudal system to persist. OHSSG& # 16: Analyzing individual and group perspectives is essential to understanding historic and contemporary issues. Opportunities for civic engagement exist for students to connect real-world issues and events to classroom learning.		
Learning Objective(s)	LO1: SWBAT summarize the roles of major players (individuals or groups) in the birth of the Han Dynasty. LO2: SWBAT analyze the ways that revolutions betray themselves.	Assessment(s) Include LO being addressed	Silent Debate DBQ Worksheet Exit Ticket
Materials & Resources	PowerPoint presentation, Silent Debate papers, sticky notes, DBQ source packet, DBQ question packet, Gaodi Emperor, Anonymous. (18th Century). London. Retrieved from http://www.ibiblio.org/chineseart/contents/peop/c01s01p06.htm, The Warring States of China, Philg88. (2010, October 27). The Warring States of China. Retrieved March 1, 2020, from https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:EN-WarringStatesAll260BCE.jpg, Han Dynasty, 195 BC, Esiymbro. (2019, November 10). Han Dynasty Kingdoms 195 BC. Retrieved March 1, 2020, from https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Han_dynasty_Kingdoms_195_BC.png, Ancient Chinese crossbow (2nd century BC)., Per Honor et Gloria. (2005, March 17). Military of the Han dynasty. Retrieved March 1, 2020, from https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Military_of_the_Han_dynasty#/media/File:ChineseCrossbow.JPG, Liu Bang, from Peasant Rebel to Emperor, Breen, B. (2013, February). February 2013: Liu Bang, from Peasant Rebel to Emperor: Origins: Current Events in Historical Perspective. Retrieved March 1, 2020, from https://origins.osu.edu/milestones/february-2013-liu-bang-peasant-rebel-emperor, General Ethnic Composition of China, General Ethnic Composition of China. (n.d.). Retrieved March 1, 2020, from https://www.britannica.com/topic/Chinese-people#/media/1/700914/1013, Extension video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4XdPodNwSGU, Extension Worksheet		



Instructional Procedures/Steps

Opening	Vocabulary Check: The instructor will introduce the EQ, and clarify the meaning of the question, and the words		
15 Minutes	in it.		
	Revolutionary (n.) – a rebel, a person who tries to change something in a major way		
	Conservative (n.) – a person who wants things to stay the same		
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	Silent Debate: Each student will be given 2 sticky notes to begin; these will be placed on desks before students enter the room.		
	Students who need them will be given sentence starters on their sticky notes. A		
	Each paper will have one statement on it. The instructor will direct students to respond to the statement		
	at their table on a sticky note, and attach that sticky note to the table.		
	After 5 minutes, the instructor will direct students to move clockwise to the next table, and respond to		
	another student's note on that table with a sticky note of their own.		
	They will have another 5 minutes for this second stage.		
	At the second table, students will be told to connect their sticky note to the bottom of the one to which		
	they are responding.		
	Prompts will be:		
	What were the goals of the American Revolutionary War?		
	 What revolutions can you think of? 		
	Other than military and political revolutions, what other areas have revolutionaries?		
	• When does a revolution end?		
	• Who is left out of a revolution?		
	When the exercise ends, the instructor will ask students to volunteer an interesting response that they read, or to share their response to a prompt with the class.		
Instruction	Pronunciation Instruction: Instructor will draw student attention to the pronunciation of pinyin, and then ask		
30 Minutes	direct students in the pronunciation of several words and names:		
willutes	Qin – "tscheen" (direct student attention to this word as the probable root of English word "China")		
	Han – "Hahn" (note to students that this, not Chinese, is also the name of the ethnicity of most people in China)		
	Liu Bang – "Lyu Bahng"		
	Gaozu – Gow-tsoo		
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DBQ Activity: The instructor will introduce the DBQ assignment, and direct students to download the DBQ packet.

- Students will, in groups of up to 4, read the documents and use them to answer the questions. (See Source Question Document for questions).
- While students work on the DBQ, the instructor will move about the room, offering support questions to students.
- Halfway through the task, the instructor will stop and ask all students to answer a question to Check for Understanding.
- Support Questions:
- What physical traits do people connect with personality traits?
- Before the internet, TV, radio, or other fast communication technologies were developed, do you think it was harder or easier to run a big country? Why?
- The US Constitution lets states mostly run themselves. Why do you think that is?

Check for Understanding (halfway through lesson):

Instructor will ask student groups to develop a consensus answer to the following question: "Who was the founder of the Han dynasty?"

- A representative from each group will be asked to answer the question when called upon.
 - Do you think it's easier to train a person to use a crossbow, or a sword?
 - Do you think that a different leader might have unified China if Liu Bang hadn't? If yes, would China be very different from how it is today, or fairly similar?
 - What is the difference between a kingdom and an empire? Is the US an empire?

Whole Class Synthesis Discussion: Instructor will bring the class back together to discuss the core concepts of the documents.

- This period of Chinese history had lots of big, fast changes. How did China change in this time?
- What is one lasting legacy of the Qin? Of the Han?
- Which legacy do you think is most important? Why?

Closure	!
5	Minutes

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Exit Ticket:

The Qin were the first to unite China under one rule. Did the revolutionary Liu Bang strengthen or weaken what they had created? Why?

Accommodations/	Silent Debate sentence starters – sticky notes for students with accommodations will have sentence starters
Enrichment	such as "The goals of the American Revolutionary War were to", "the Revolution", "a
	revolution is over when it"
	Extension Activity: Student who finish early will be given a link to the following video, which translates a Han
	description of the Roman Empire. Students will use the video to complete the Extension Worksheet.