

Shang Religion Presentation

Tombs and Burial Customs

Your challenge is to research and put together a presentation all about tombs and burial customs.

Your presentation could contain one, some or all of the following:

- A poster
- · A leaflet/booklet
- A news report or newspaper article
- Role play or drama
- Drawings and paintings
- PowerPoint or Flipchart presentation
- · A model



These are just suggestions. You may have more exciting ideas about how best to present your work.

Have fun putting together your presentation! Below is some information about tombs and burial customs to help you get started.

Tombs and Burial Customs

The way in which a person living during the Shang dynasty was buried varied according to their social status.

Kings and other important people at the top of the social class structure received elaborate burials. They could expect to be buried in large tombs (sometimes containing a number of rooms) alongside their slaves, animals and objects - it was thought that they would need these in the afterlife.

Poor people were buried in rows in group graves. It is thought that some of the poorest Shang were even simply tossed down wells when they died.

