

China

A. Reading

China is a large and important country. It is located in Asia, between Mongolia and Vietnam. Twenty percent of the people in the world, or one in five, live in China. With more than 1,321,000,000 people, it is the world's most populated country. It is also the fourth largest in land area. People living in China are called Chinese. They speak Chinese, but some of them also speak English. The Chinese are famous for inventing printing, paper, gunpowder, and the compass. The Chinese culture is over 6,000 years old. The official name of mainland China is the People's Republic of China. Beijing is the capital of China. Beijing hosted the 2008 Summer Olympics.



B. True or False

1. _____ China is in Asia between Mongolia and Vietnam.
2. _____ More than one billion people live in China.
3. _____ Beijing hosted the 2008 Winter Olympics.
4. _____ The Chinese invented printing and paper.
5. _____ The capital of the People's Republic of China is Beijing.

C. Writing – Do you want to visit China? Why or why not?

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