**Project-Create a replica artifact from Ancient China**

1. Your task is to make an object that has Chinese ideographic writing on it that would possibly have been from ancient China:  a scroll ([**https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hanging\_scroll**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hanging_scroll)), a tablet ([**https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Spirit\_tablet**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Spirit_tablet)), a kite ([**https://www.chinahighlights.com/travelguide/culture/kites.htm**](https://www.chinahighlights.com/travelguide/culture/kites.htm)), paper lantern ([**https://www.chinahighlights.com/travelguide/culture/lanterns.htm**](https://www.chinahighlights.com/travelguide/culture/lanterns.htm)), oracle bones ([**https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Oracle\_bone**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Oracle_bone)), paper clothing or paper food--a.k.a. Joss paper ([**https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Joss\_paper**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Joss_paper)), or any item that might have writing on it.
2. It must have the appearance of “ancientness.” You must make it look old. There are many ways you can do this. Wrinkling, staining (use coffee, tea), tearing, bleaching; be creative! Get help from your parents.
3. It must contain at least three words. Pick three (or more) words that mean something to you. They can be nouns, verbs, adjectives, or proper nouns. The words must be real words translated into traditional Chinese pictographs or ideographs. Use Google translate to change the words from English into the Chinese characters.
4. You must write a 50 to 200 word description explaining:
   1. What the words are you chose
   2. Why you chose those words
   3. What your object is
   4. How you made it

**Grading**

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|  | **3** | **2** | **1** | **0** | x 4 **Score** |
| **Article** | The item looks authentic | The items looks nearly authentic | The item hints at what it is supposed to be | The item is not appropriate for Ancient China |  |
| **Age** | The item looks old | The item hints at age | The item looks somewhat used | The item looks new |  |
| **Wording** | The characters look like traditional Chinese characters | The words suggest Chinese Characters | The words are definitely not in Chinese characters | There are no words or characters on the item |  |
| **Essay** | All four parts of the essay are covered and it has 50 or more words | Three parts are covered or it has less than 50 words | Only 1 or 2 parts are covered  Or it is less than 30 words | No essay is included |  |
| **TOTAL** |  |  |  |  |  |

**A = 44+ B = 43 to 39 C = 38 to 34 D = 33 to 29 F < 29 (0 to 28)**

**Ideas for things to write on scrolls & tablets**

Things that Confucius said:

*I hear and I forget. I see and I remember. I do and I understand.*

*It does not matter how slowly you go so long as you do not stop.*

*Choose a job you love, and you will never have to work a day in your life.*

*Everything has its beauty, but not everyone sees it.*

*Our greatest glory is not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall.*

*Before you embark on a journey of revenge, dig two graves.*

*The man who moves a mountain begins by carrying away small stones.*

*Real knowledge is to know the extent of one's ignorance.*

Teaching from Laozi in the Tao Te Ching

“Simplicity, patience, compassion.  
These three are your greatest treasures.  
Simple in actions and thoughts, you return to the source of being.  
Patient with both friends and enemies, you accord with the way things are.  
Compassionate toward yourself, you reconcile all beings in the world.”

“Knowing others is intelligence;  
knowing yourself is true wisdom.  
Mastering others is strength;   
mastering yourself is true power.”

“Those who know do not speak. Those who speak do not know.”

“When you are content to be simply yourself and don't compare or compete, everyone will respect you.”

“The truth is not always beautiful, nor beautiful words the truth.”

“A man with outward courage dares to die; a man with inner courage dares to live.”

“Love is a decision - not an emotion!”

Your translation should look like the following when done if it is a sentence (different characters of course):

快速的棕色狐狸跳過了懶狗。