Zhou Dynasty

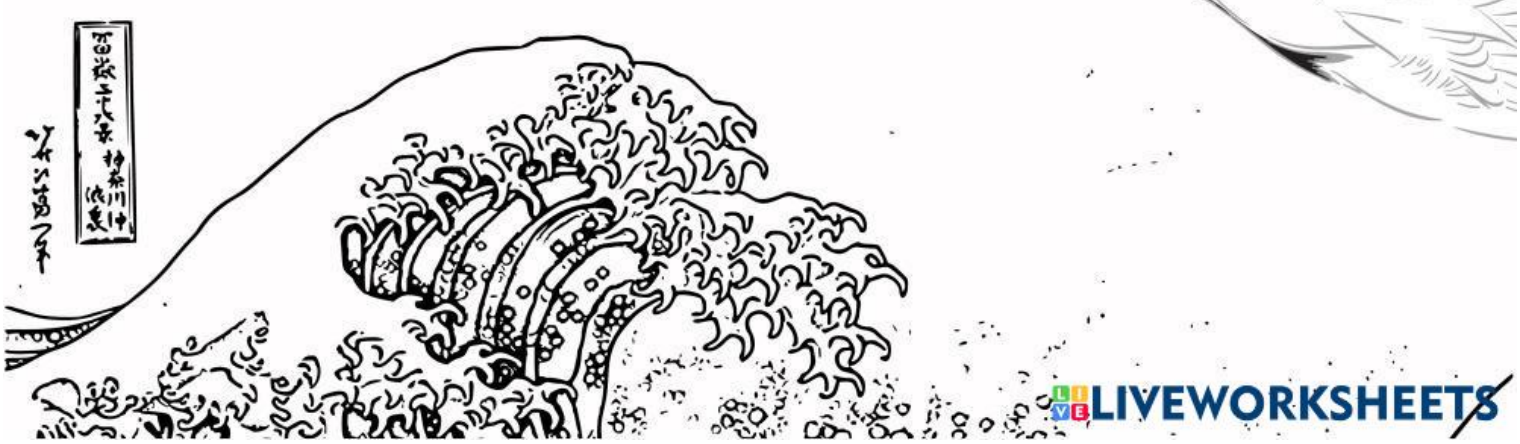
Complete the following text with the correct option from the box below.

full-scale warfare		Bronze art		Shang
	Warring States period		Chang River	
Zhou	chaos	clothing	died	Heaven

Around 1050 B.C., a group called the _____ (joh) attacked the _____kingdom from the west. They overthrew the Shang ruler and established a new dynasty.The Zhou dynasty ruled for about 800 years.For much of the second half of that rule, however, the Zhou struggled to keep its large kingdom united.

The Right to Rule

After the Zhou took power, they declared that their success was due to the support coming from _____. In their view, heaven was the highest force of nature that gave dynasties the right to rule.They called this right to rule the Mandate of Heaven.



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Governing the ZhouThe Zhou expanded its land through conquest. At its height, the Zhou ruled territory that reached to the _____. This large kingdom included many different cultures.

The Warring States

Eventually, minor battles escalated into _____.China would enter an era of _____- total disorder and confusion.From about 475 B.C.E. to 221 B.C.E., this era became know as the _____. Brutal and destructive conflict marked the period.Battles ravaged the countryside and millions of people_____.

Zhou Society

The Zhou adopted much of the Shang culture. They followed the same basic laws, wore similar _____, and spoke the same language.They produced _____that rivaled that of the Shang.Great changes also occurred in the Zhou dynasty. For example, the Zhou kings gave up the practice of human sacrifice and stopped using the oracle bones.

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