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## RETEACHING ACTIVITY **River Dynasties in China**

### **Reading Comprehension**

Find the name or term in the second column that best matches the description in the first column. (Note: for question 1, more than one letter will be used.) Then write the letter(s) of your answer in the blank.

____ 1. The two major river systems in China that flow from the west to the Pacific Ocean	A. North China Plain
____ 2. The yellowish fertile soil deposited along riverbanks	B. Middle Kingdom
____ 3. China's heartland, the center of its civilization	C. pictographs
____ 4. Name used for the <i>Homo erectus</i> skeleton found in northern China near Beijing	D. Peking man
____ 5. The first Chinese dynasty to leave written records	E. Han Dynasty
____ 6. The name the Chinese used to describe their own country as the center of the civilized world	F. dynastic cycle
____ 7. Animal remnants and tortoise shells used to submit questions to the gods	G. oracle bones
____ 8. Basis for Chinese system of writing	H. Huang He
____ 9. Divine approval for a Chinese ruler	I. feudalism
____ 10. The pattern of rise, decline, and replacement of ruling families in China	J. Shang Dynasty
____ 11. A political system in which nobles, or lords, are granted the use of lands that legally belong to the king	K. Chang Jiang
____ 12. Dynasty that brought improvements in technology and trade to China beginning around 1027 B.C.	L. Mandate of Heaven
	M. Zhou
	N. loess