

China Facts

- Red is considered the color of happiness in China. Traditionally, brides wear red wedding dresses.
- The capital of China is Beijing. Beijing served as host for the 2008 Summer Olympics.
- There are 40,000 written Chinese characters. Fourth graders are expected to know 2,000 of them. Each character is learned by looking at it, writing it, and memorizing it.
- China is the fourth largest country in the world. China is almost the same size as the United States.
- Ice cream was invented in China around 2000 BC. By combining a soft rice and milk mixture with snow, they create the original version of this tasty treat.
- China has the largest population in the world with over 1.3 billion people.
- The Yangtze River, called the Chang Jiang in China, is the world's fourth longest river.
- The tallest mountain in the world is Mt. Everest, and is found in the Tibetan region of China.
- China is large enough to have several time zones, but it only has one.
- Like Americans, Chinese drive on the right side of the road.
- Left-handed school children in China are not allowed to use their left hands to hold a pen when learning to write. Therefore, regardless of their natural inclinations, virtually all Chinese are right-handed.
- An estimated 1.2 billion people in China do not know Christ as their Lord and Savior, mostly because they have not yet heard the good news.

