

Chapter 11 Questions

Possible short answer questions.

1. "Japan borrowed from China, but only selectively." Discuss with examples.
2. What were the possible reasons why Japan failed to adopt the Confucian-based civil service examination system?
3. It can be argued that the symbol of medieval China is the scholar-gentry while in Japan it is the samurai warrior. How do you account for the difference between the two societies?
4. What were the major developments in early Japanese literature, art, and architecture? What is meant by the statement "Tea and zen have the same flavor"?