## **China True/False Quiz**

China is the largest country in the world. False - Russia is the largest country in the world followed by Canada. Some measurements place China (officially the People's Republic of China) third (to include Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan) with the USA fourth, while other measurements place the USA third. Despite its size, all of China is in one time zone.

http://www.geohive.com/earth/area\_top50.aspx

There are more mobile phone subscriptions in China than people. False - the number of mobile subscribers in November 2013 was 1.23 billion

http://www.reuters.com/article/2013/12/20/china-mobilesubscribers-idUSL4N0J51ZN20131220 The population is 1.35 billion – China is the world's most populous country. http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-asia-pacific-13017879

More boys are born in China than girls. True, but this tends to be the case across with world with a global population ratio of 107 boys born for every 100 girls. However, China's sex ratio at birth is more imbalanced than the global average. There are about 113 boys born in China for every 100 girls. While some of this ratio might be biological, there is evidence of sex-selective abortion, neglect, abandonment, and even infanticide of infant females, possibly due to China's one-child policy and traditional preference for boys.

http://geography.about.com/od/chinamaps/a/China-One-Child-Policy-Facts.htm

There are 32 million more boys than girls in China. In the future, tens of millions of men will be unable to find wives, prompting some scholars to suggest that this imbalance could lead to a threat to world security. http://facts.randomhistory.com/2009/05/04\_china.html

The poverty reduction rate in China was the fastest in the world in the 80s and 90s. True – between 1981 and 2005, China's poverty rate fell from 85% of the population to 15.9%, or by over 600 million people (poverty = living on less than \$1.25 a day). Globally, poverty rates fell by about 25% during this period, but excluding China, poverty fell only by around 10%.

http://www.globalissues.org/article/4/poverty-around-the-world#WorldBanksPovertyEstimatesRevised

**Toilet paper was invented in China.** True - in the late 1300s. It was for emperors only. Other notable inventions include the wheelbarrow, cast iron, the iron plough, the suspension bridge, the parachute, compass, matches, raised relief maps, the propeller, the cross bow, the cannon, ice-cream and football. The Chinese were also the first to use natural gas as fuel.

http://www.buzzle.com/articles/interesting-facts-about-china.html http://facts.randomhistory.com/2009/05/04 china.html