

## Are You Paying Attention?

Approximate percentage of time educational researchers estimate 1st and 5th grade Beijing and Chicago students are paying attention to the teacher.

	BEIJING	CHICAGO
1st grade	82%	60%
5th grade	82%	55%

Approximate percentage lessons in which the teacher did not provide feedback to Beijing and Chicago children concerning their seatwork.

	BEIJING	CHICAGO
1st grade	25%	37%
5th grade	18%	48%

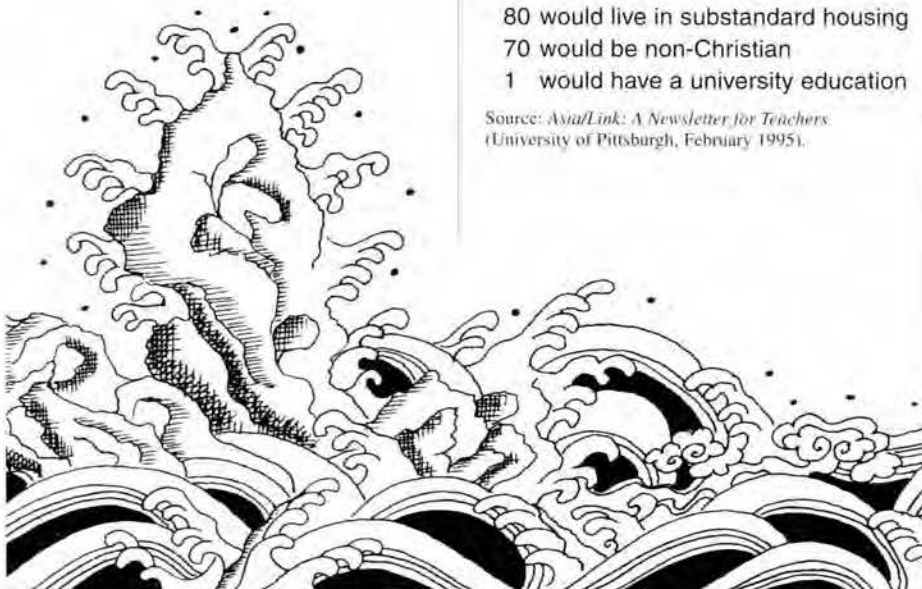
Source: Data from Harold W. Stevens and Shinyng Lee, "The East Asian Version of Whole-Class Teaching," *Educational Policy* (June 1995).

## Individual Incomes in China

Sources of individual income in China's major cities:

- 32% of the average income of employees, in both state and non-state sectors, are from sources other than regular salaries.
- People make money through moonlighting, investment in the stock market, and other means.

Source: Baokan Wenzhai, (March 23, 1995).



Wave motif, Xuan de period of the Ming dynasty. Dover Publications, *Treasury of Chinese Design Motifs* by Joseph D'Addetta.

## Hong Kong and the U.S.

- Area of the world that is home to the largest American Chamber of Commerce outside of the U.S. Hong Kong
- Approximate number of American businesses in Hong Kong Over 1,000
- U.S. annual trade surplus with Hong Kong Approx. \$2 billion

Source: *America's Stake in Hong Kong* (The Heritage Foundation, October 2, 1995).

## Asia and the Global Village

If we shrink the earth's population down to a village of one hundred people but keep all existing human ratios the same, there would be:

- 57 Asians
- 21 Europeans
- 14 Western Hemisphere people (North and South America)
- 8 Africans

Other Characteristics of the Global Village:

- 70 of the hundred people would be non-white
- 70 would be unable to read
- 50 would suffer from malnutrition
- 80 would live in substandard housing
- 70 would be non-Christian
- 1 would have a university education

Source: *AsiaLink: A Newsletter for Teachers* (University of Pittsburgh, February 1995).

## Asia Economic Notes

Asia's share of the World's Gross National Product:

1960 -	4 percent
1990 -	25 percent
2000 -	33 percent (projected)

## U.S. Pacific Trade

- 1984 - U.S. trade across the Pacific surpassed U.S. trade across the Atlantic.
- 1994 - One-third of U.S. exports were to East Asia. U.S. merchandise trade to APEC countries constituted 60% of total U.S. exports. More than 80% of the \$154 billion U.S. global trade deficit was with APEC countries, mostly Japan and China.

Source: *The Japanese Times Weekly International Edition* (November 13-29, 1995).

## U.S. and Vietnamese MIA Statistics

### Missing in Action

United States	2,202
Vietnam	300,000*

\* This number includes both People's Liberation Armed Forces and the Army of the Republic of Vietnam for the years 1954-75.

Source: *Z Magazine* (October 1995).

## Women's Average Wages in Manufacturing as Percentage of Men's (1990)

Germany	73
Hong Kong	69
Japan	43
Singapore	55
South Korea	50
Sri Lanka	88
U.S.	68

Source: "The World's Women 1995: Trends and Statistics," *United Nations* (New York: United Nations Publications, 1995).