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this new book provides an accessible and wide ranging introduction to the main features of chinese society drawing on a wealth of material the author offers a fresh understanding of a unique society that has undergone continuous transformation and upheaval throughout the twentieth century understanding chinese society looks in all its richness at the society with the largest population on earth in order to explore long term change and continuity the book examines china from pre revolutionary times to today s rapidly modernising society although the focus is on recent change particular attention is paid to china s cultural traditions and hierarchical relationships in familial and wider social settings and their fate in the modern world successive chapters investigate changes in the relations of rural and urban sectors of society in the structure of families in political and economic power

in cultural hegemony education and the media and in patterns of social inequality a final chapter asks whether chinese society is becoming more complex and differentiated in the course of modernisation and considers recent debates on the growth of civil society and democratisation this book will be indispensable for anyone studying chinese society asian societies and comparative sociology

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before 1978 china was backward economically politically diplomatically and was extremely isolated the country had a few diplomatic allies like north korea russia and vietnam however in the past three decades the country has witnessed robust changes that have aroused the interest of the westerners in knowing more about the country this book provides first hand information on china s social changes and economic transformation it enables readers to understand the chinese society vividly dynamically and practically it examines various facets of the chinese society ranging from famous landmarks popular customs festivals food daily chores etc the

book also offers tips for those who are willing to live work and run a business in china

promoting cultural understanding in a globalized world this text is a key tool for students interested in further developing their understanding of chinese society and culture written by a team of experts in their fields this book provides a survey of chinese culture delving deeper into areas such as chinese philosophy religion politics and education it offers the reader a wide range of essential facts to better understand contemporary china through its history and cultural background touching on key areas such as the development of science and technology in china as well as the country s economy and trade history and is a key read for scholars and students in chinese culture sociology and politics

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the title is a collection of essays centering on the topic of intercultural communication between chinese and western cultures by tang yijie one of the most

renowned philosophy scholars in china comprised of five parts the author discusses how chinese culture should modernize itself through borrowing from western culture premised on a self awareness of chinese culture per se the book begins by critiquing theories of the so called clash of civilizations and new empires and argues for the coexistence of cultures and a global consciousness instead chapters in the second part revisit contemporary chinese culture in transition and call for the cultural integration of china and the west with china defined in both its ancient and modern guises by providing reflections on the cultural trends of the 1980s and 1990s the third part illustrates the inevitable growth of diversified cultural development while analyzing cases of cultural dialogue in history philosophy and religion the fourth part demonstrates the significance of culture diversity and interaction while the fifth provides thoughts and reflections on some real life cultural issues this title will appeal to all levels of readers interested in chinese culture cross cultural studies and topics of cultural pluralism

this book covers numerous areas and aspects of chinese domestic and external politics and policies the chinese economy chinese society and culture and chinese literature and history it is divided into four sections the first of which focuses on china s place in world politics including its relations with the european union russia india japan the united states and africa the second section among others addresses issues and areas related to china s role in and impact on the international economy the strategies and positioning of chinese multinational companies investing in europe the problems and challenges of china s banking and financial systems and china s foreign economic strategies the final two sections are devoted to chinese politics and society and italian views on chinese culture language and literature the volume is multidisciplinary in nature with contributions from experts of politics economics history law literature gender studies and the media it will appeal to a wide range of china scholars and analysts as well as to all who have an interest in international relations chinese politics the chinese economy and chinese society culture literature and history

analyses the mechanisms processes and actors producing a wide spectrum of social and cultural changes in reform china contrary to most literature that emphasize economic and political processes at the expense of chinese society the book argues for the centrality of the social in understanding chinese development

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during the eighteenth century china s new manchu rulers consolidated their control of the largest empire china had ever known in this book susan naquin and evelyn s rawski draw on the most recent research to provide a unique overview and reevaluation of the social history of china during this period one of the most dynamic periods in china s early modern era a lucid original and scholarly summary of the social economic and demographic history of china s last great period of glory this will be an important book for students of chinese history jonathan spence yale university engaging complex and elegantly written absorbing and valuable a thorough unique and richly detailed account of the social forms and cultural and religious life of the people choice an interesting and well informed survey of china between about 1680 and 1820 w j f jenner asian affairs i would be a very odd scholar or general reader who could not derive profit from reading this elegant and painstaking survey of the social cultural and economic life of the qing empire in its apparent prime a superb survey which readers may absorb and cherish alexander woodside pacific affairs a highly readable synthesis of recent secondary literature on the subject william s atwell journal of asian studies their coverage is comprehensive and their writing is clear and lucid reading this book obtains one a very broad yet penetrative view of chinese society at the time alan p l liu asian thought society the ground covered by this book is vast its very breadth conveys

with great clarity the extent of current knowledge of premodern china it also serves as an excellent introduction to the social history of the qing dynasty hugh d r baker china quarterly this is a most challenging work and ambitious work chinese society in the eighteenth century give both the general reader and also the historian who does not study china a tool for grounding himself or herself in the basic patterns and trends that could be found in eighteenth century china as well as in the problems the specialists are now exploring the book is also of great value to students of traditional and modern china for it serves to synthesize much of the new literature on china in the high qing thus it serves the china hand as a state of the field essay that shows just where we are even as it suggests directions for future research murray a rubinstein american asian review this excellent book provides an intelligent summary our rapidly changing understanding of chinese society in a crucial century of political stability and economic and demographic expansion susan naquin and evelyn s rawski are distinguished contributors to the field energetically engaged in its multinational communication networks john e wills jr american historical review

this book is a new approach to how we in the west understand china and chinese culture it challenges the master narrative of confucianism and shows that ancestor worship has underpinned chinese culture in many influential and vital ways and provides a nuanced and more efficacious paradigm through which chinese culture may be viewed it is an exposition and analysis of chinese ancestor worship and its correlations especially filial piety and ritual and it shows the intrinsic importance of ancestor worship to chinese culture by using a practice theory ritual and communication theory approach this work highlights the relationship between the rituals of ancestor worship and their meaning within chinese culture in emphasizing the efficacy of ritual to cultural meaning it also questions and compares the master narrative of confucianism in its role as the prime cultural symbol and paradigm of chinese culture china and chinese culture is conventionally understood by the west through the paradigm and its articulated discourse of confucianism in order to ameliorate and overcome the epistemological problematic of a cross cultural

understanding of china a new approach to the understanding of china and chinese culture is proposed the thesis approach is meta disciplinary and multi viewed and draws on a range of evidence and theories which focus on the problematic of cross cultural understanding

in china s future social development there is likely to be an interest in society building with interactions between top down and bottom up approaches along with a deepened level of social reform and the construction of a harmonious or symbiotic society this represents one of china s social development models and is reflected in the communist party of china cpc and state policy the term society building was proposed by chinese thinkers nearly a century ago and was used by chinese sociologists to study chinese society since the 1930s in the 21st century society building has been used as an interdisciplinary concept by chinese social scientists the main concern of china for its future social development is to enhance its people s wellbeing and encourage them to build chinese society in innovative and creative ways this volume showcases the latest research of non chinese scholars relating to this indigenous concept and to china s social development in a global context it tackles the following topics the assessment of the social impact of infrastructure projects china s reforms and its changing political system whether or not the singapore model is suitable for china to follow soft power through education and boundaries cosmopolitanisms and spaces in chinese and international cities the book will be of interest to academics professionals practitioners university students and the general public seeking a comprehensive understanding of china society building a china model of social development is the second volume in the understanding china and the world series edited by the late chinese sociologist zheng hangsheng 1936 2014 and british chinese scholar xiangqun chang both the title of the volume and book series deliberately reflect a new perspective on china putting china in the context of globalization and inspiring comparative studies that enable non chinese to understand china and the world about the book series and background this book was first published in 2014 by cambridge scholars publishing csp five new pieces

have been added to this new edition and many changes in other 3 pieces it is published by the uk based global china press gcp and new world press nwp gcp is the first publisher specializing in dual language publications that focus on chinese perspectives of the world and human knowledge and non chinese perspectives of china in a global context nwp was founded in 1951 and is a member of the china international publishing group cipg it publishes multilingual books on social sciences literature management and other disciplines that serve to introduce china to the world as early as the 1980s nwp published the china study series in english covering china s economy politics ethnicity population history sociology and anthropology and including fei xiaotong s toward a people s anthropology 1981 chinese village close up 1982 and small towns in china 1986 nwp is republishing the china study series jointly with gcp supplemented by new titles

china s success on economic growth and its exploration on political reform in the past few decades have attracted the attention from worldwide economic and political experts this book studies china s transformation and experience from a sociological perspective which broadens the research horizons and explores more complexity in contemporary china this book examines china s social structural transformation especially its implications on resource allocation and expounds on china s sociology academic history in addition it covers a broad range of issues including china s experience of reform and development urbanization social hierarchy change social conflicts social management mass consumption etc lastly it investigates china s urban village as a byproduct of economic development and urbanization which is rarely seen in other countries these themes are key to understanding contemporary chinese society which makes this book a valuable reference for specialists on chinese studies and those who are interested in contemporary china

there is growing interest in social transformation in contemporary china with much work published on the subject this book is different from other books in that it

presents an overview of the work of chinese sociologists on how chinese society is changing it reports on a great deal of original research by leading outstanding chinese scholars including extensive fieldwork and large scale social change survey data and covers comprehensively the full range of aspects of the subject it assesses developments since the beginning of reform in china and provides overall a comprehensive understanding of china s social development and of the likely impact of future social changes on china

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a lucid and fascinating work about chinese society and values fei s account of how china differs from the west is every bit as telling now as it was when this book was first published almost half a century ago orville schell what are the fundamental characteristics of chinese society and how does it differ from the west in from the soil china s foremost sociologist offered his insights based on fieldwork in china and residence in the west into this fascinating question vivid and clearly written it has long been a classic of chinese sociology widely read by chinese it is wonderful finally to have it available in english david arkush university of iowa

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