**China Biography**

**Qin Shihuangdi**

 **I. Early Years**

 A. He was born Prince Zheng of the royal family of the state of Qin (c.259 BCE).

 B. At age thirteen, he succeeded his father’s throne.

 **II. Significant Events**

 A. Assumed full power in age of 22 by ridding himself of his premier (first in order or position), Lu Buwei.

 B. Qin conquered the six remaining Chinese states. The Han, Zhao, Wei, Chu, Yan, Qi states were the remaining states that he conquered.

 **III. Personal Attributes (characteristics)**

 A. He was obsessed with living forever. He had his best scientists working on the elixir for immortality.

 B. He was very mean and murdered or banished the people who opposed him or his ideas. He also burned the books that went agents his beliefs.

 **IV. Contributions**

 A. He divided the Chinese Empire into 36 different parts or sections.

 B. Qin unified China by creating a standard or common type of currency and writing.

 **V. My Impressions**

 A. I think that Qin Shihuangdi was a very harsh ruler since he had anyone who went against his beliefs killed. He burned books and executed scholars.

B. I also think that he was crazy since he was looking for a way to be immortal.