

## Chinese Contacts with the West

- Missionaries

- The Jesuits

  - Studied Chinese & Confucian classics

  - Used knowledge to win entry to court

  - Manchus allowed Jesuits kept their positions

  - Tried to propagate Christianity

  - K'ang Hsi was sympathetic

  - Papal bulls decided against Jesuits & forbade Chinese Christians to participate in ancestor worship

  - Emperor banned Christianity

- Portuguese came first

  - Permitted to trade at Macao

-Followed by Dutch, British East India Company & Americans

-“Canton system”

-Trade was profitable

-British East India Company developed a triangular commerce

-Influx of specie

-Macartney mission

-Ch'ien Lung permitted Macartney to present gifts

-Chinese merchants only accepted silver

-Western trade remained at Canton