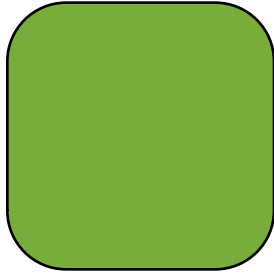


xiao-filial piety



“the term applies to one’s attitude both towards living parents and towards dead ancestors.”

Dawson, Raymond. (trans.) (1993) Confucius The Analects. New York: Oxford University Press, xxi- xxvii

“ appropriate family feelings are that resource from which a pathway through life emerges.”

Ames, Robert and Rosemont, Henry, Jr. (trans.) (1998) The Analects of Confucius: A Philosophical Translation. New York: Random House.

Wisdom from The Analects:

1:7 “As for the persons who care for character much more than beauty, who in serving their parents are able to exert themselves utterly, who give their whole person in the service of their ruler, and who, in interactions with colleagues and friends, make good on their word---even if it were said of such persons that they are unschooled , I would insist that they are well educated indeed.”

After reading the analect above what do you think “filial” means? Use the context clues.

What do you think “piety” is?

“The Wise Old Woman” Japanese Folktale

How does the son protect his mother in this story?-----

In what way does the Old Woman’s wisdom serve her community?

What do you consider the climax of the story?-----
