The Middle Kingdom in Crisis: China

I. End of Manchu (Ch’ing [Qing]) Rule

   A. Opium War, November 1839 to August 1842 (Canton, Hong Kong)
      1. Treaty of Nanking (Nanjing)
         a. treaty ports: Canton, Shanghai, Amoy, Ningpo, and Foochow
         b. British provided with Hong Kong
      2. War of 1856–60

   B. Taiping and other rebellions (1850–1864)

   C. Self-Strengthening Movement, 1870's–1880's
      1. Prince Kung (1833–1898)
      2. Kuang-hsu [Guangxu], Emperor (1871–1908)
      3. Tz'u-hsi [Cixi] (1835–1908), Empress Dowager
      4. French battle China for control of Vietnam, 1883–85

   D. Sino-Japanese War, 1894–95

   E. One Hundred Days of Reform, 1898
      1. K'ang Yu-wei (1858–1927), scholar and reformer
      2. Chang Chih-tung, Learn

   F. Boxer Rebellion, 1898–1900
      1. Quasi-religious societies
      2. Failure of “Boxers” led to reforms 1901–11

   G. Republican Revolution Overthrows Ch’ing Dynasty, 1911
      2. New Army

II. Warlord Era, 1916–1928

   A. May Fourth Incident (1919)
      1. Students protest Versailles Peace Treaty terms
      2. May Fourth Movement

   B. Sun Yat-sen [Sun Zhongshan] (1866–1925)
      1. Reorganized Kuomintang [Guomindang] in 1923
      2. Enunciated “three principles of the people”
   1. Founded Whampoa [Huangpu] Military Academy, 1924
   2. March North (1926–1927)
      a. ousted CCP members from officers of KMT Army, July 1926
      b. massacre of CCP members of KMT Party, April 1927
   3. Beijing seized (1928)
   4. Kidnapped (December 12–25, 1936) by Chang Hsüeh-liang in Sian
   5. July 16–December 8, 1949: Withdraws Nationalist forces to Taiwan

III. Nanking [Nanjing] Decade, 1928–1937

A. Dictatorship under Central Committee
   1. German military advisers replace Soviet military advisers in KMT Army
   2. KMT Army dominated by Whampoa clique

B. 1931–1932 Japanese Occupation of Manuchuria
   1. Manchukou established February 18, 1932
      a. Henry P’u-i installed as regent March 9, 1932
      b. Henry P’u-i promoted to emperor March 1, 1934
   2. Report of League of Nations commission of inquiry October 2, 1932

   1. Interpretation of Edgar Snow, *Red Star over China* (1937)
      a. Marx’s critique does not fit Chinese conditions
      b. Lenin’s critique of Imperialism

D. United Front 1937–1941

IV. War with Japan, 1937–1945

A. Japanese Invasion of China
   1. Incident at Lukouchiao, July 7, 1937
   2. Shanghai Campaign, August 8–November 8, 1937
   3. Fall of Nanjing, December 13, 1937

B. American Involvement and Nationalist Relations with Communists
   1. General Joseph W. Stilwell
   2. General Patrick J. Hurley

V. Civil War and Establishment of People’s Republic of China, 1945–1949