**Ancient Chinese Teachings**

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| **Teachings of Confucius**  **Place a tick in the box closest to your viewpoint. 🗸🗸🗸🗸🗸🗸🗸** | **Strongly Agree** | **Agree** | **Neutral** | **Disagree** | **Strongly Disagree** |
| Everyone must respect those who are older. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Parents must bring up their children to respect others. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wives must obey their husbands. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Children should not argue or be angry with their parents. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Children must never let the family down. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Showing too much emotion is wrong. |  |  |  |  |  |
| People must not eat or drink too much. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Score for Agreement with Confucius’s Ideas: □ | | | | | |
| **Daoist Teachings**  **Place a tick in the box closest to your viewpoint. 🗸🗸🗸🗸🗸🗸🗸** | **Strongly Agree** | **Agree** | **Neutral** | **Disagree** | **Strongly Disagree** |
| The king and ruling class should not interfere with people who are living in harmony with nature. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wealth and position breed conceit, which brings man to ruin. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Forget about knowledge and man will benefit greatly. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Without law man would live in harmony. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Living in a natural way with the forces of nature is the only way to live well. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Do nothing and all that is needed will be done. |  |  |  |  |  |
| The ruler should rule as little as possible, allowing the people to live freely, with no unnecessary knowledge. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Score for Agreement with Daoist Ideas: □ | | | | | |

* Which thinker’s ideas do you prefer? What has influenced you to take this position or stance?
* Which ideas do you most strongly reject out of those above? Give reasons for your position.
* Which ideas above are generally acceptable to modern Australians? Which ideas are generally unacceptable? Why?
* Write down five statements that might form part of your philosophy of life; that is, ideas you would promote. Create a table like the one above so that you can survey your fellow students.