



KEY VOCABULARY

dynasty

a **line of rulers of a country from the same family**: parts of modern-day China were ruled by different dynasties for thousands of years

Ming dynasty

Chinese dynasty from 1368-1644 C.E.

calligraphy

decorative handwriting

character

Chinese **writing symbols**

rice paper

thin paper used for Chinese painting

scroll

a **roll of paper or silk** for writing or painting on: when rolled up, stored in a box

hand scroll

a **long, narrow, horizontal scroll**, viewed by being held by the viewer, maybe on a table

hanging scroll

a **scroll displayed vertically on a wall** for a short period of time

ink stick

a **solid stick of ink**

ink stone

a **stone for grinding ink on**

ceramic

fired clay

porcelain

a **white translucent ceramic**

Ming ware

Ming dynasty ceramics

early 15th century
porcelain jar with
cobalt blue dragon



Fisherman (with poem) c.1350
hand scroll - ink on paper



Finches and Bamboo Early 12th century
hand scroll - ink and colour on silk

c.1050 hand
scroll - ink and
colour on silk

