# Change under Mao, 1949-63

# CHINA IN 1949

What economic, social and political problems faced the Chinese people and their new government in 1949?

Also remember what you have learnt about China through 50 years of war, civil war and revolution.

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| **Economic** | **Social** | **Political** |
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**COMMUNIST AIMS.**

Brooman pages 27-8.

1. What do you think Mao meant when he wrote that “a revolution is not the same as inviting people to dinner…”?
2. Explain the logic of a “People’s Democratic Dictatorship”. How does the Common Programme explain this concept?
3. Task B in Brooman, page 29.

**THE NEW CONSTITUTION.**

Brooman page 29.

1. Describe the role of the Party and explain Democratic Centralism.
2. Describe the role of the PLA?
3. Tasks C and D in Brooman, page 29. What does this suggest about the CCP’s methods of control?