

# Pre-Modern Japan

## Goals & Objectives

At the end of this unit, students will be able to:

- How did Japanese geography, especially its proximity to Korea and China, influence its culture?
- What is Shinto? How did it compete with and mix with Confucianism and Buddhism?
- Can you explain the Heian culture and its emphasis on beauty, grace, and art?
- How did the samurai and shoguns rise to power? What was the samurai code of honor called?
- How did Japan develop into a military society? How did that affect the political system of Japan?