Leader Analysis Sheet

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| Name of Leader:  Mao Zedong | |
| Lifespan  1893-1976 | Title:  Communist leader |
| Country/region:  China | Years in Power  1920s-onward |
| Political, Social, & Economic Conditions Prior to Leaders Gaining Power  -May Fourth Movement—China turning into a liberal democracy  -Confucianism was ridiculed  -Chinese thinkers called for liberation of women  -simplification of Chinese script  -promotion of Western-style individualism | |
| Ideology, Motivation, Goals:  -wanted to put China through a revolution to better the country  -strong desire to help the peasants—believed that the peasants were the key to a better China as a whole  -opposed efforts of pragmatist allies to scale back the communes | |
| Significant Actions & events During Term of Power  -Long March of 1934  -seized control of all mainland north China by 1949  -captured north Korea  -established the Great Leap Forward in 1958 | |
| Short-Term effects:  -helped peasants lives with better conditions, easier access to education, etc. | Long-Term Effects  -rural reform  -heightened the peasantry role in the Nationalist revolution  -Long March of |