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What if I told you the Cultural Revolution wasn't a historical aberration, but a system upgrade based on a 2,000-year-old script? China's secret isn't stability. It's ritual annihilation. Read on.



DeepSeek, Mandarin and Alphabet?

The stunning success of DeepSeek has fundamentally changed China in two ways: the CPC has been forced to acknowledge its dependence on China's private high-tech

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The Cultural Revolution wasn't just Mao waving a Little Red Book. It was a civilizational purge-meets-reboot, echoing a 2,000-year-old playbook. 1/10

Mao's ideological storm had a progenitor: Qin Shihuang, who buried Confucian scholars alive and burned their bamboo scrolls. 2/10

Qin wasn't just silencing dissent. He was asserting the central state's supremacy over the moral order of the scholar-gentry. 3/10

Mao did the same with landlords and intellectuals, swapping bamboo scrolls for bourgeois ideology. Same script, modern cast. 4/10

The West venerates continuity, constitutions, common law, Magna Carta. China venerates rupture and rebirth. 5/10

Dynasties fall. Orders collapse. But the civilization absorbs the trauma and rebuilds, stronger, leaner, ideologically retooled. 6/10

DeepSeek, the Mandarin-native LLM, is the next phase: not burning scrolls, but training models. Not burying scholars, but encoding them. 7/10

Confucius isn't dead. He's whispering in Python, surfacing in AI outputs, advising Party and poet alike through algorithmic inference. 8/10

China doesn't fear foundational trauma, it integrates it. Each rupture becomes a feature, not a bug, in the firmware of the state. 9/10

While the West clutches legacy systems, China bootstraps civilization 3.0. No nostalgia. Just neural nets and new dynasties. 10/10

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