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**Provenience:** Honan Province, China

pd. Shang, about 1800--  
1500 B. C.

**People or Culture:** Chinese

**Object:** Oracle bone fragment

**Material:** scapula of some species of deer

**Description:** oracle bone fragment with 8 lines of  
incised characters, the earliest form of Chinese  
characters extant

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(old card deteriorated, Aug. 1972)

**Dimensions:** width: 10.2 length: 15.5  
(in cm.)

Acc. 1945

**Collection:** presented by Bensabott Inc.