Exercise 9: Epigraphical Sources and Paleography

1. Using the Shuowen jiezi 說文解字 (SWJZ) dictionary locate the following kaishu 楷書 items and give their exact locations (by 卷, 部首, 頁), seal forms, and any other forms listed. Extract their meaning from their formation. How useful are such paleographies to understand the meanings?
   a) shen 申; b) ren 仁; c) chi 齒; d) jue 绝; e) nan 男; f) zheng 正; g) fu 婦; h) xiao 孝

2. Give the meaning and derivation for the following seal characters.

3. Identify and describe the following stelae:

4. Identify an epigraphical source that will be useful for your research proposal and explain why.