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Discussion Sheet; Individual

Greek and Roman Architecture

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The Great Wall of China

The Forbidden City in China

Hagia Sophia in Istanbul, Turkey

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The Great Wall of China

Summary: The Great Wall of China has been called the longest cemetery on Earth. Over a million people died building the Wall and archaeologists have found human remains buried under parts of the wall.

The Forbidden City in China

Summary: Each of the 9,999 rooms is decorated with statues. As the importance of each building grows, the number of statues increases. The most important room has a maximum of 10 statues.

Hagia Sophia in Istanbul, Turkey

Summary: Hagia Sophia in Constantinople: Hagia Sophia served as an Eastern Orthodox Cathedral until 1453 AD when Ottoman Sultan Mehmed II who conquered Istanbul converted it into a mosque. It served as inspiration for many other Ottoman mosques including the Blue Mosque, Süleymaniye Mosque, Rüstem Pasha Mosque, Şehzade Mosque and Kılıç Ali Paşa Mosque.