Ancient China

Objectives:

1. Investigate historical sites and traditions in China that give China its cultural identity.

2. Create an imaginary story/product using the information you learn about the sites/traditions of Ancient China
Assignment Requirements

1. Collect your information:

2. When you have collected all your information and completed all 6 of your missions, you will choose ONE of the 6 missions, and create a PowerPoint that highlights all the information you collected on that mission.
Mission 1

• You are a member of the Mongolian Spy Group (MSG). Your leader, Nissan Quest is planning a southern invasion of your bitter rivals- the Chinese.

• Nissan Quest has heard rumors of a great construction project involving some type of large wall on the southern border with China. He is afraid this wall will hamper his invasion plans. He needs you to journey to the border and report back to him on the most important aspects of the wall.

• The success of the invasion depends on you. It is your mission to bring back as much important information as possible about the Great Wall.
The Great Wall

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Mission 2

Your leader Nissan Quest was very pleased with the information you collected on the Great Wall. He has decided to grant you the honor of a second mission.

• For years, Nissan has wanted to gain access to the lucrative silk trade. He must know how the Chinese have become so successful.
• Your second mission is to spy on the traders as they journey across the Silk Road and report back to the emperor on the most important aspects of the Silk Road.
• Good luck. The Empire’s economic well being is in your hands. You must bring back only the most important information.
The Silk Road

- Map of the Silk Road
- Importance of the Silk Road
Mission 3

• Once again your leader Nissan Quest is well pleased with you. As part of his invasion plans, he must know as much about the Chinese Emperor as possible.
• Other MSG members have discovered that the Chinese Emperor is living at a place called the Forbidden City.
• Your 3rd mission is to travel through China undetected to the Forbidden City and find out as much **key information** as possible about the place.
• You must hurry, time is running out. Nissan needs this information as soon as possible to complete his invasion plans. To help speed up your mission, the emperor only needs the **most important information** about the Forbidden City.
• Good luck and remember, may the force be with you.
The Forbidden City

- China Travel Guide
Mission 4

• Great work on the Forbidden City. Unfortunately, one of China’s most famous philosophers has escaped. However, he has sent a letter to Nissan Quest promising to share his teachings.

• As a trusted member of Nissan Mongolian Spy Group, you have been chosen to journey to Confucius’ hiding place and bring information back home about his belief system. Collect information on what this Chinese philosopher believed in. You must hurry. Nissan is anxious to hear what this Chinese philosopher has to say.
Confucianism

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Mission 5

- Your leader Nissan Quest is still not completely satisfied that he knows everything he needs to know to understand the Chinese people. He has heard of another philosophy, Taoism, but remains in the dark about its details.
- Since you did such a fine job collecting the information from Confucius, Nissan has decided to honor you with another mission.
- Travel to the far side of China and collect as much pertinent (important) information on the philosophy known as Taoism.
Taoism

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Tao festival in Taiwan
Mission 6

- You are quickly becoming one of Nissan Quest’s favorite envoys. You have been of great service to him thus far.
- Yet, he is still not completely satisfied that he knows everything he needs to know to understand the Chinese people. He has heard of still another philosophy, Buddhism and has a great desire to learn as much as possible about it. Its details.
- You are his most trusted servant and he has decided that it is to be your honor once again to collect the information that he needs to understand this way of life.
- There are several Buddhists Monks living in Xian. Travel to this ancient city and collect as much important information on the philosophy known as Buddhism.
Buddhism

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Tang Dynasty Buddha

Buddhist Temple