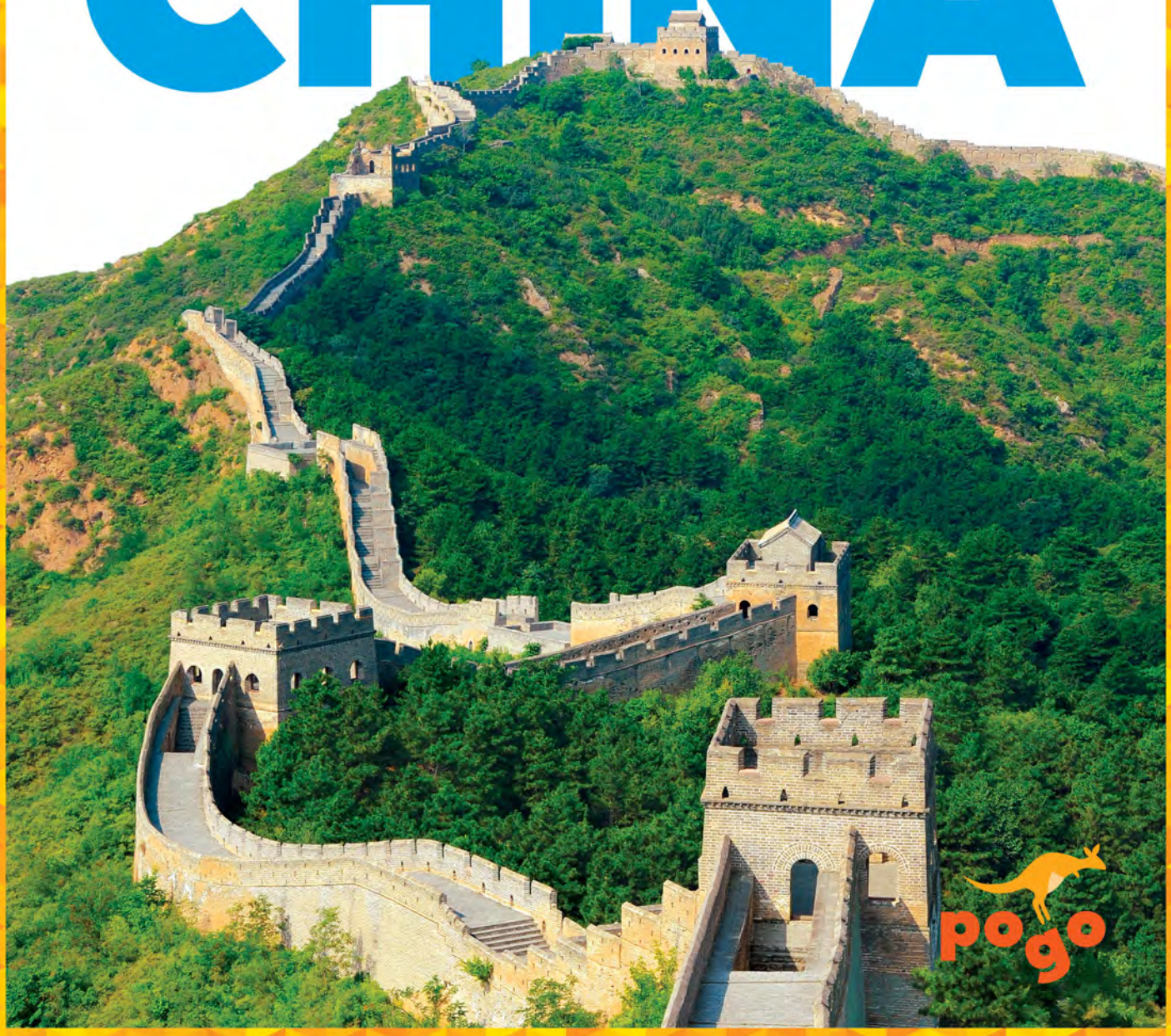
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GREAT WALL OF CHINA



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CHAPTER 1

FIGHT FOR CONTROL

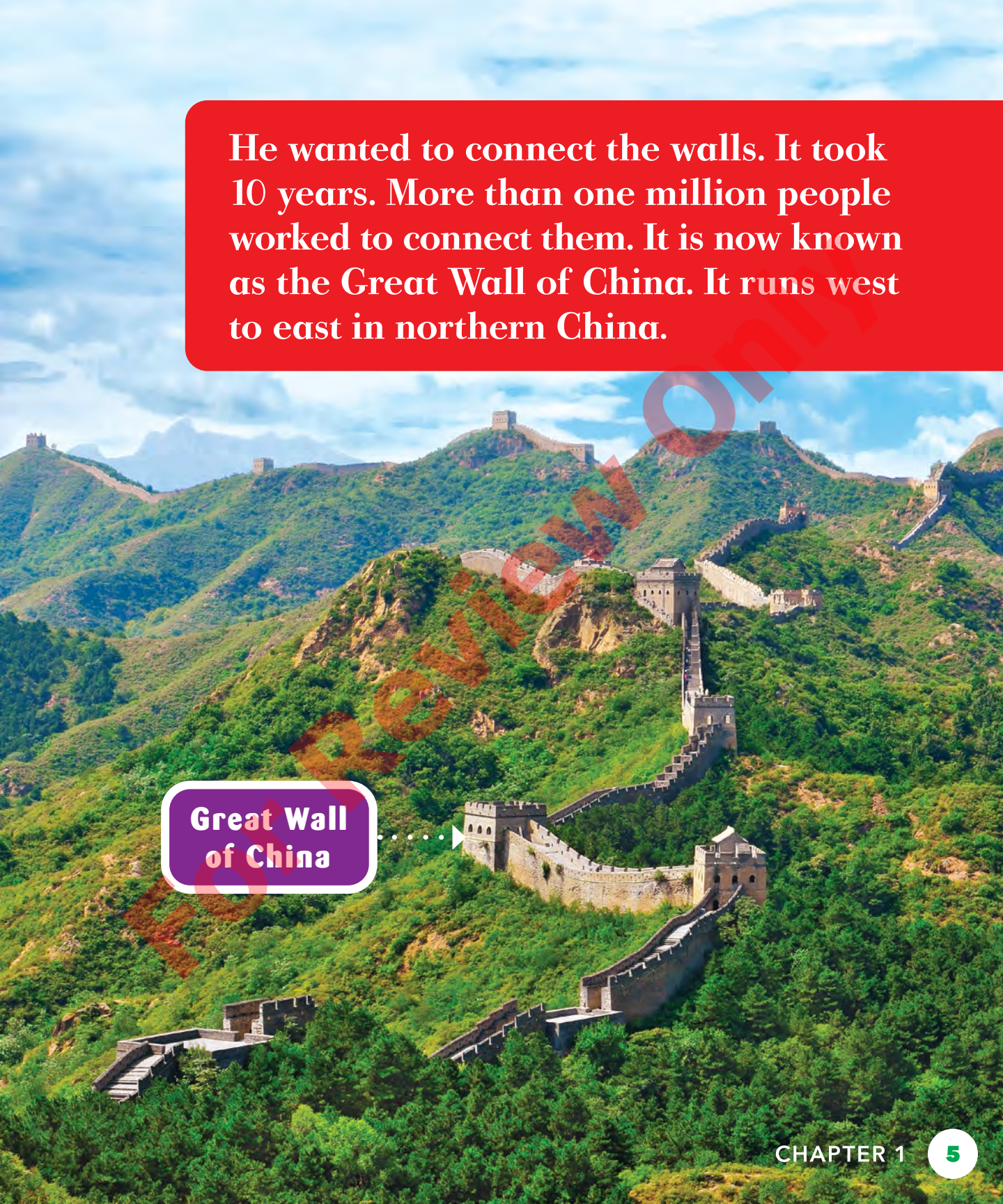
There were many kingdoms in **ancient** China. They fought for control. They built walls for protection. Some were made more than 2,500 years ago! Qin Shi Huang won control. He became China's first **emperor** in 221 BCE.



Qin Shi Huang

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He wanted to connect the walls. It took 10 years. More than one million people worked to connect them. It is now known as the Great Wall of China. It runs west to east in northern China.

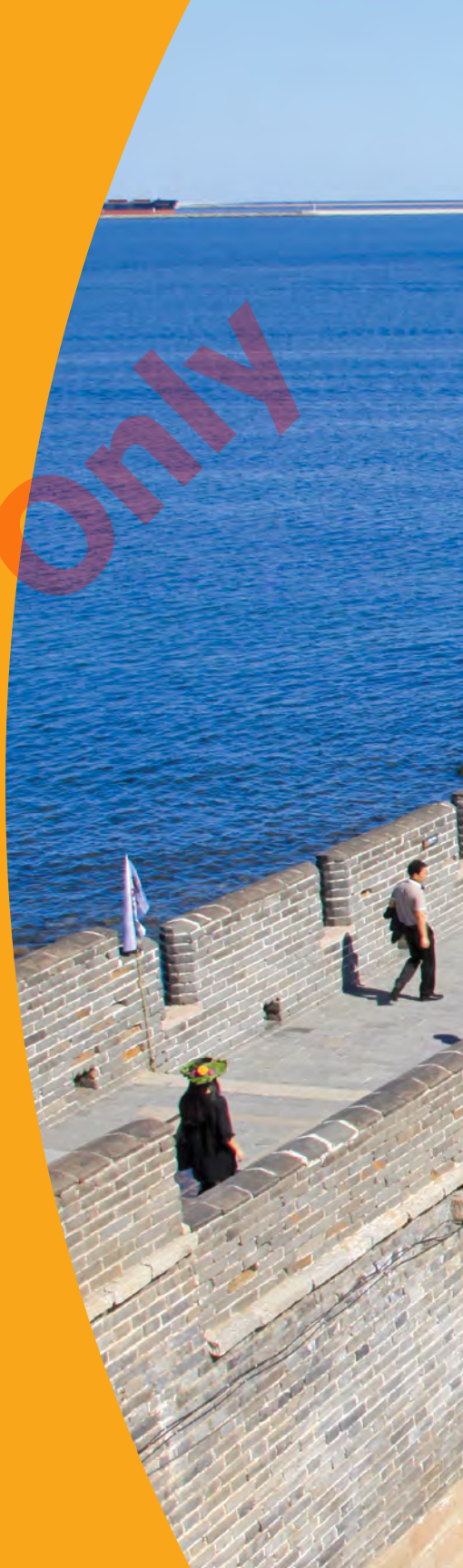


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The wall starts in Jiayuguan.
It goes east to Shanhaiguan.
It meets the Bohai Sea.
Some call this part the
Old Dragon's Head.

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

The Great Wall has many names. Some call it the Long Wall. Others call it the Earth Dragon. What would you call it? Why?



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The wall helped protect China. How? It kept northern **invaders** out.

It was built with stones and **adobe**. Each new leader added to the wall. It is now more than 13,000 miles (20,920 kilometers) long.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Great Wall is the longest **structure** made by humans!



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Mongolia is just north of China. Genghis Khan was the leader in 1211 CE. The average height of the wall is about 25 feet (7.6 meters). But Genghis Khan's soldiers got past. Mongolia controlled China until 1368.

The Ming **Dynasty** lasted from 1368 to 1644 CE. During this time, workers made the wall stronger. They used granite, brick, and limestone.

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