

ANCIENT CIVILIZATIONS

A DAY IN ANCIENT CHINA



Tools for Parents & Teachers

Grasshopper Books enhance imagination and introduce the earliest readers to fun storylines and illustrations. The easy-to-read text supports early reading experiences with repetitive sentence patterns and sight words.

Before Reading

- Discuss the cover illustration. What do readers see?
- Look at the glossary together. Discuss the words.

Read the Book

- Read the book to the child, or have them read independently.
- “Walk” through the book and look at the illustrations. When and where does the story take place? What is happening in the story?

After Reading

- Prompt the child to think more. Ask: What was life like in ancient China? What more would you like to learn about ancient China or the Tang Dynasty?

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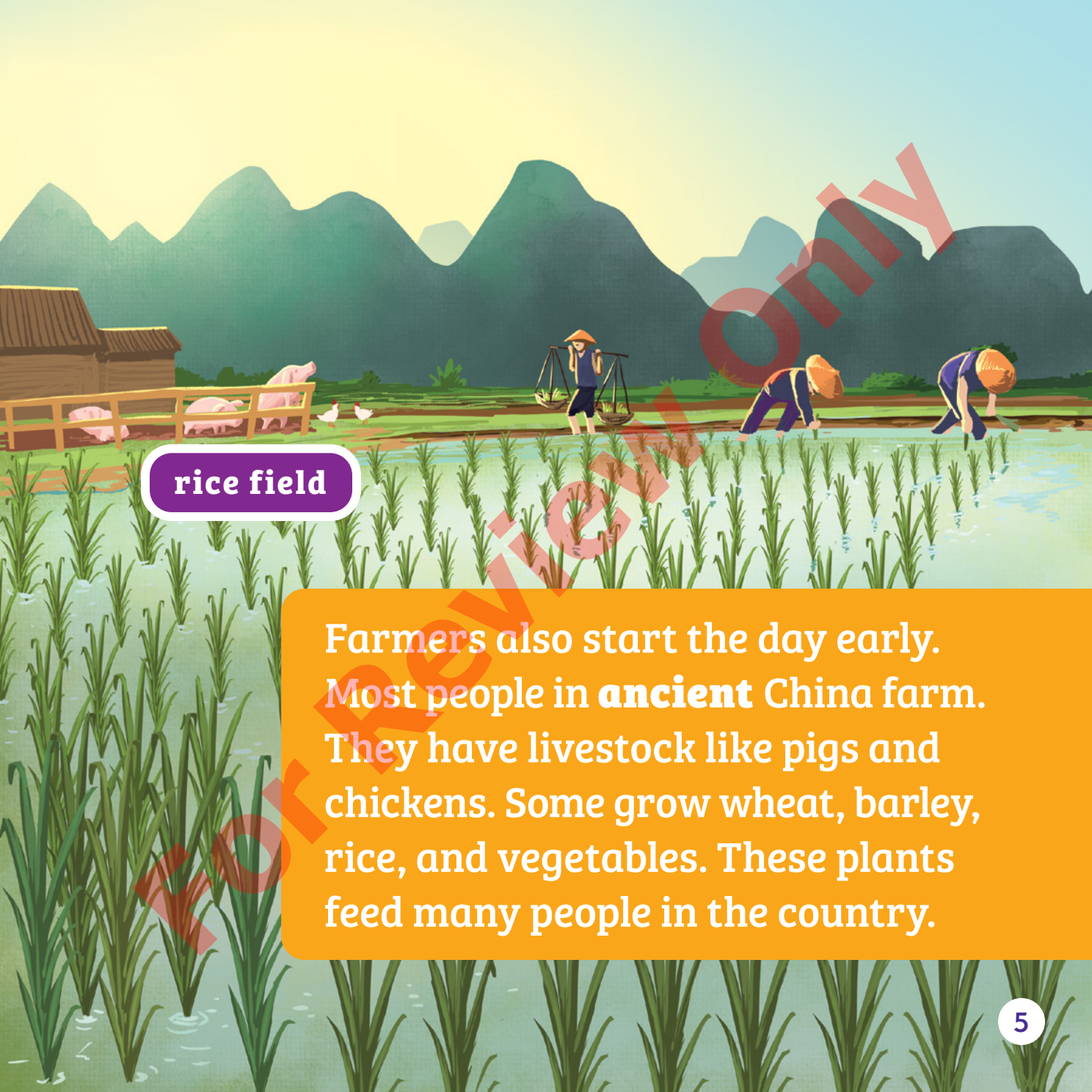
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Lighting Lanterns



It is spring in China. The year is 691.
People in Chang'an wake up early.
This is the **capital**. People sell food,
livestock, and more at the market.



rice field

Farmers also start the day early. Most people in **ancient** China farm. They have livestock like pigs and chickens. Some grow wheat, barley, rice, and vegetables. These plants feed many people in the country.

Children are busy, too. Boys farm. Girls help their moms. They gather threads from silkworm cocoons. They twist the threads together. These will be used to make silk clothing.





In town, rich people live in large homes. Some spend time painting. Others write poems or play weiqi. In this game, players use white and black stones to take over areas on the board.





weiqi