

FORBIDDEN CITY

COMPREHENSION

FILL IN THE BLANK

Use the words below to fill in the reading.

common	gate
Ming	acres
protect	24

... was one of the oldest and most advanced civilizations. It was ruled by different dynasties, or powerful families, through the _____ and Qing dynasties of Ancient China. The Forbidden City or Ziyi Cheng was built in a palace known as the Forbidden for _____ and was called that because it was forbidden for _____ to enter and was only for the emperor, his family, and other members of the royal family. The Forbidden City was built between the years 406 and 420 AD. It is located in the center of Beijing, China after the course of 500 years. It is located in the center of Beijing. It took 14 years and more than one million workers to build the entire palace spans 178 acres and the entire palace is surrounded by 26 feet high walls, typically 26 feet high, surrounded the palace by towers. Guards watched for any possible attackers. The Forbidden Palace has a _____ into two sections. The Wu Men Gate, also known as the Gate of Heavenly Peace, is the main entrance into the palace. It leads to the _____ Court.

TASK 5: TRUE OR FALSE

Directions: Answer each question below by coloring in the box of the TRUE statements. Next, unscramble the word using the large bold letters of only the TRUE statements.

The Forbidden City became a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1987.	The Forbidden City was known as Ziyi Cheng in Chinese.	Most of the roof was the color red.	Today, the Forbidden City is now known as the Kremlin Museum.
N	S	R	O
All buildings of the palace faced west.	The Forbidden City was built between the years 406 and 420.	The Forbidden City was lived in by 37 emperors.	It took 14 years and more than one million workers to build the palace.
H	E	B	D
The Forbidden City was built by Emperor Puyi.	The palace was made from the highest quality materials such as gold bricks.	Green symbolized wood and growth.	Zhu Di was the emperor of the Tang dynasty.
L	Y	T	P
Between the years 1911-1912 the Chinese Revolution took place.	The Wu Men Gate is the eastern entrance into the palace.	There are a total of 980 buildings in the Forbidden City.	The walls and pillars were red to symbolize happiness and wealth.
A	M	I	S

SECRET WORD

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TASK 4: TEXT

Directions: Find the answers in the text or color them with the color.

YELLOW

BLUE

GREEN

PINK

How many _____?

Which emperor _____?

What are the three _____?

Who was the last emperor of the Qing _____?

What did the color _____ symbolize?

Directions: Place the following words in the correct sentence in the reading passage.

Some _____ do _____.

S _____ ex _____.

st _____.

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DETAIL


5: TRUE OR FALSE

Answer each question below by coloring in the box of the statements. Next, unscramble the word using the large bold letters of only the TRUE statements.

The Forbidden City was known as Zijin Cheng in Chinese.	S	Today, the Forbidden City is now known as the Kremlin.	R
Most of the roof was the color red.	S	The Forbidden City was lived in by 37 emperors.	B
The Forbidden City was built between the years 406 and 420.	E	Green symbolizes good luck.	L
The palace was made from the bricks of the Forbidden City.	H	The Wu Men Gate is the eastern entrance into the City.	L
The Forbidden City was built by Emperor Puyi.	L	There are 980 buildings in the City.	L

TASK 3: CROSSWORD

Directions: Complete the crossword puzzle by reading the clues below and entering the correct response.



TASK 2: VOCABULARY

Directions: Choose 5 words from the list that are new to you and fill in the boxes.

WORD

WORD

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WORD

TASK 1: FILL IN THE BLANKS

Directions: Use the words below to fill in the blanks in the reading passage.

capital	common	gate
Harmony	Ming	acre
courtyard	protect	2

Ancient China was one of the oldest and most advanced civilizations in human history. It was ruled by different dynasties, or powerful families, throughout its history. During the _____ and Qing dynasties, the emperors lived in a palace known as the Forbidden City or Ziyuan Garden in Chinese. It was called that because it was forbidden for _____ people to enter and was only for the emperor, his family, and other officials. The Forbidden City was built between the years 406 and 420 by Emperor (Zhu Di) of the Ming dynasty and was lived in by _____ over the course of 500 years. It is located in the center of Beijing, the capital of China after _____.

It took 14 years and more than one million workers to build the very large with 90 palaces within it and over 8,000 rooms. The palace is 960 meters long and 750 meters wide. It is surrounded by a 12-meter high wall, surrounded the palace to _____.

The Forbidden City was built by Emperor Zhu Di and his family. In each corner of the palace there are four towers. Guards watched for any possible attackers, day and night.

The Forbidden City is divided into two sections, the Inner Court and the Outer Court. The Wu Men Gate, also known as the Meridian Gate, is the southern entrance into the palace. It leads to a courtyard where another gate leads to the Outer Court. The Hall of Supreme Harmony, the Hall of Central Harmony, and the Hall of Incense are located in the Outer Court. In this courtyard, important business would be held. Another gate leads to the Inner Court, the space of the emperor and his family. Along with the _____, the _____, and the _____, the Forbidden City is a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

TASK 4: TEXT COLORING

Directions: Find the answers in the reading passage or color them with the correct color.

YELLOW

BLUE

GREEN

PINK

YELLOW

BLUE

How many rooms are there in the Forbidden City?

Which emperor had the longest reign?

What are the three main halls in the Inner Court?

Who was the last emperor of the Qing dynasty?

What did the color black symbolize?

What materials was the palace made from?

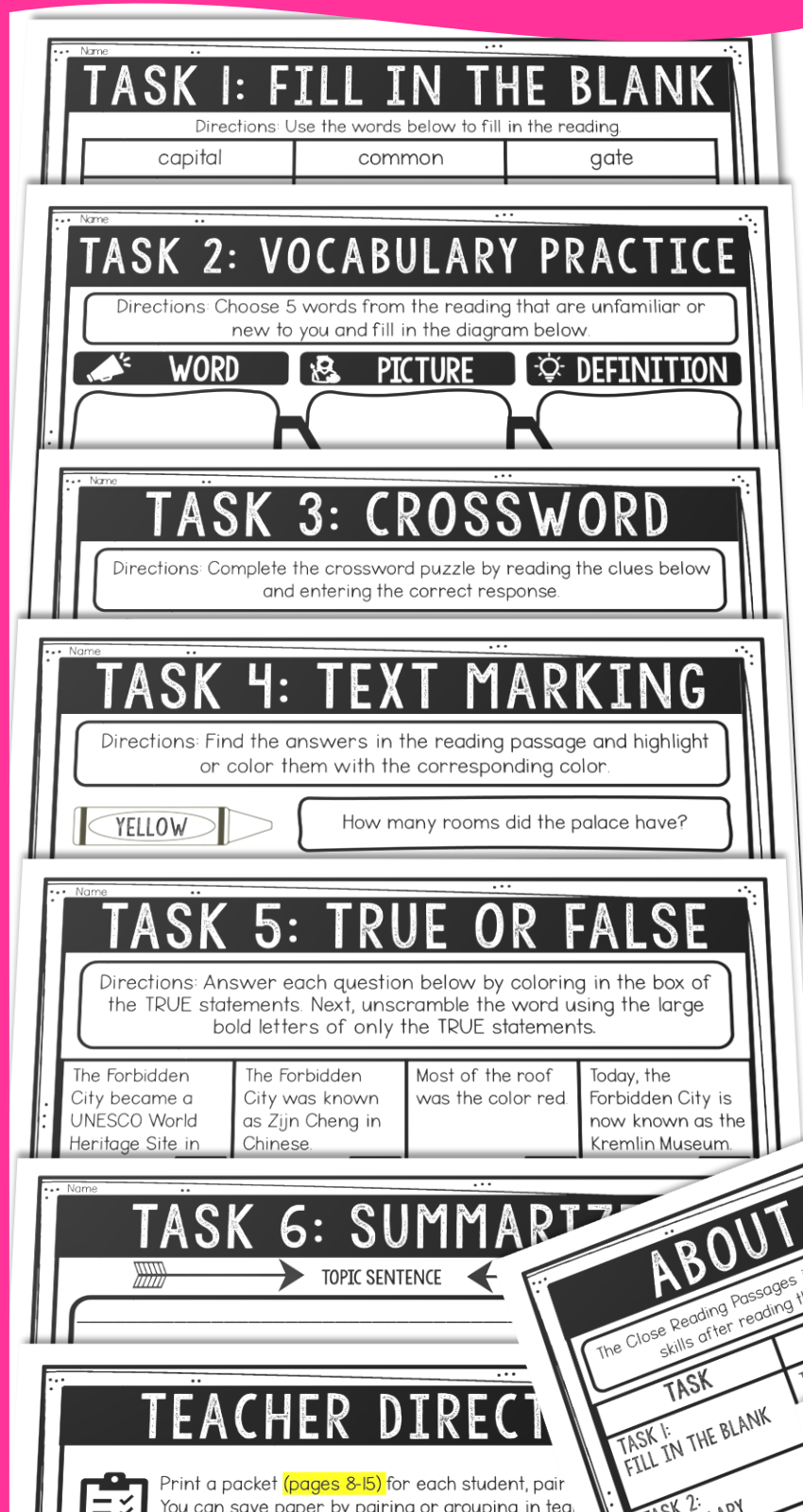
Directions: Place the following marking symbols in the reading passage.

? Something you have a question about.

! Something you do not understand.

WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- ✓ Task 1: Fill in the Blank
- ✓ Task 2: Vocabulary
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- ✓ Teacher Guide



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As students complete each task, they will bring you their answers for you to quickly check. After checking, they can color in the box on the completion sheet. They will repeat the process until all 6 boxes are colored in.

