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The Fearful Dragon

“Off with her head!” yelled Emperor Qin. “No please don’t!” yelled the lady. “I will never speak out of turn again! I promise!” she exclaimed. “Too bad so sad!” yelled Emperor Qin “You spoke out of turn to a General!” he yelled. The executer swung his ax down on the lady’s neck. “AAAAAAAAAHHHH!” the lady yelled. Everyone closed their eyes, the screaming stopped. After a couple of moments Emperor Qin dismissed his subjects to continue their work.

Do you know who Emperor Qin is? I do, because Room 8 is learning about China so we are also learning about the first emperor of China! He was very important, because without him there would be no China! Can you believe that? China was named after the name Qin (Chin).

He was cruel and harsh man, but a very smart man at the same time. The reason why he considered to be smart was because he built the Great Wall of China. Emperor Qin used his people as slaves to build the Great Wall for him. Many of them died. Even though he tortured his people, when the work was done, the Chinese people were safe from the barbarians of Mongolia. The barbarians of Mongolia would come into China and steal their crops and fabric. The Great Wall was built to prevent this. In my opinion, the idea was great! Depending on who it was protecting, Emperor Qin or his subjects.

Do you want to know what Emperor Qin was PARANOID of? He was paranoid of dying! He drank mercury and powdered jade which we can only guess, caused the early death for him. He died of the age of 49! The Terracotta Army was built to protect him in the after life. Archeologists have found more than eight thousand statues of warriors, but they still have not found the grave of Emperor Qin. They expect Emperor Qin to wear a jade suit when they find him like most of the royal families do when they die! Would you like to be wearing a jade suit when you die?

The more important the person was, the higher the mound of dirt would be built to cover the grave. The wind probably rubbed down the dirt, and that can only lead to why the archeologist can not find his grave! But they have found more than 8,000 thousand soldiers facing in all different directions preparing for battle. Some of the soldiers have put back together and are in Washington D.C. Some of them of them are still in China where they were originally found!

Well thank you for reading my piece. I have to go pack up to go to Ancient China! Maybe we will meet in Ancient China or Washington D.C looking at the Terracotta Army! Let’s hope that we don’t get our heads cut off while in Ancient China! People say that if you try to paint a picture of Emperor Qin, he will cut your head off! Thanks again! Wish me luck!