**Chinese Traditional Figures**

**Qin Shi Huang**

**ⅠGuess the figure. Then watch the video and fill the blanks**

Qin Shi Huang, 1\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ real name is Ying Zheng, was the first emperor of China and the founder of the Qin Dynasty. He came to power as the king of Qin at age 13 and unified China in 221 BC, 2\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(end) the Warring States period. His rule 3\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(mark) by several key achievements, including 4\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(standardize) Chinese script, weights, measures and currency, which help to unify the nation culturally and 5\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(economic).

He is also famous for 6\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(initiate) the construction of the Great Wall, a colossal 7\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(defend) fortification designed to protect the empire from northern invasions. His regime was characterized by authoritarianism, enforcing legalism as the state's doctrine and 8\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(mete) out harsh punishments to maintain control.

Qin Shi Huang's impact on Chinese history is indelible. While his reign was marked by remarkable achievements, it was also characterized by despotism and brutality. Nonetheless, he is often credited 9\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ laying the foundation for the structure of imperial China,10\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ endured for more than two millennia after his death.

**ⅡCheck the answers and study the words**

**Word bank**

* founder / ˈfaʊndə(r) /n.创立者，缔造者
* unify / ˈjuːnɪfaɪ / v.（使）联合，（使）统一；使协调
* standardize / ˈstændədaɪz /v.使标准化，使符合标准（或规格）
* initiate/ ɪˈnɪʃieɪt / v.开始实施，发起
* invasion / ɪnˈveɪʒ(ə)n /n.侵略，入侵；涌入，大批进入；
* regime / reɪˈʒiːm /n.(尤指独裁的）政府，政权；
* authoritarianism/ ɔːˌθɒrɪˈteəriənɪzəm /n.独裁主义；权力主义
* enforce/ ɪnˈfɔːst /受到青睐：被人们喜爱、支持或赞同。
* doctrine/ ˈdɒktrɪn /n.教义，主义，信条
* indelible/ ɪnˈdeləb(ə)l /adj.难忘的，不可磨灭的
* endure/ ɪnˈdjʊə(r) /v.持续存在，持久
* legalism/ ˈliːg(ə)lɪz(ə)m /n.拘泥法律或规定的人
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* endure/ ɪnˈdjʊə(r) /v.持续存在，持久
* come to power上台执政：被任命到高级职位
* lay the foundation for为……打下基础
* be credited with被誉为
* Chinese script, weights, measures and currency汉字、度量衡和货币
* a colossal defensive fortification巨大的防御工事
* harsh punishments严厉惩罚
* despotism and brutality专制和残暴

**ⅢRead the whole passage and consolidate the relevant words with another video**

**ⅣLearn more---**images about Chinese script, weights, measures and currency

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