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Read the text below and complete each blank with one word

The Great Wall of China (1) _____ known to be over 1900 kilometres long, making it by far the longest wall in the world. The building of the wall is said (2) _____ have begun in the third century BC (3) _____ the Emperor Shih Huangti. The reason it (4) _____ built was to keep the Huns out of Central Asia. A lot of effort was put (5) _____ constructing the wall. It is (6) _____ of earth, stone and brick and its highest section is close to nine metres. Over the centuries, the wall has often (7) _____ added to, rebuilt and repaired. This was done to give China protection (8) _____ invaders. Despite its size, however, the wall failed to (9) _____ a stop to invading armies such as the Mongols and the Manchus.



The wall is still of great importance, as it divides Inner China from Outer China. What is (10) _____ it is useful for dividing the region into cultivated land and pastureland. The Great Wall holds another impressive record which won't (11) _____ surpassed for quite a while; it is the only man-made structure visible from space. It is no wonder that most travel guides refer (12) _____ the Great Wall of China as the world's greatest tourist attraction.