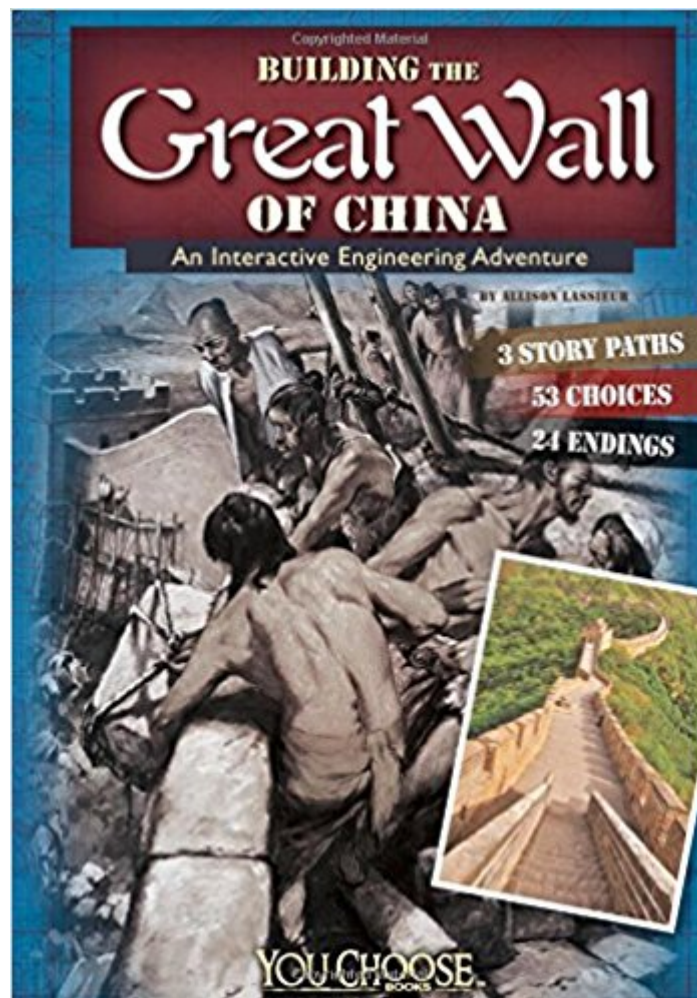




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This is a choose your own path and adventure book, while learning some history too. You follow the directions of what you would choose to do...do you stay and help build the wall? Do you carry earth? Or work in a quarry? This can be read to smaller children or those 8 to 12 would be able to read it themselves. Either way, facts are learned in an interesting way and of course the book can be reread again and again choosing different paths. There are illustrations and pictures starting with the emperor in 219 BC and the clay warriors. A timeline is included as well as a glossary and additional information sites and an index. This is a good way to learn history and also discover the perils and wonders in decision making.

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