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# Global History & Geography

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## Unit 4 A - The Ming Dynasty (1368-1644)

### Following the Great Wall of China

Social Studies Standards 2, 3, and 4 - World History, Geography, and Economics  
*Key Ideas and Performance Indicators* 2.1.1, 2.1.4, 2.3.1, 2.3.2, 3.1.5, 4.1.3

### **Context:**

The famous Great Wall of China, which was built to keep the China's horse-riding neighbors at bay, extends more than 2,000 kilometers across China, from Heilongjiang province by Korea to China's westernmost province of Xinjiang. This lesson will investigate the reconstruction and extension of the Great Wall during the Ming Dynasty, and will utilize the story of the wall as a tool for introducing students to one period in the rich history of China.