The Legend of The **Chinese Giants**



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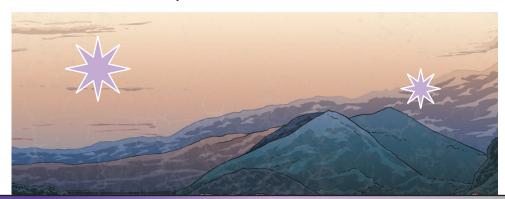
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Questions



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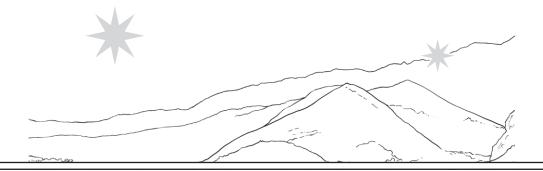






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Answers



1. Where is the country of the Giants?

The country of the Giants is in the mountain ranges of north-eastern Asia.



Find a word which means the same as 'to stick out'.protrude



3. How does the author make it clear that the Giants live for a long time?

Pupils' own responses, such as: The author tells us that the Giants live to the 'advanced' age of eighteen thousand years.



4. Will the Giants ever be defeated? Why do you think this? Accept 'yes' or 'no' as an answer provided that a relevant explanation is also given, such as: No, because the armies cannot open the gates to where they live so they will stay safe.



