

Sources and Visual Credits

This list identifies the factual and visual basis of the lesson. Modern photographs document surviving sites; diagrams and the decision map are teaching illustrations.

Core factual sources

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Visual Credits and Use

Jakub Halun, Great Wall near Jinshanling, 29 May 2009, CC BY-SA 3.0.

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https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Greatwall_badaling.jpg . Cropped and resized; modern repairs affect what is visible.

Bairuiliong, Hanmuren, 15 August 2014, CC BY-SA 4.0. <https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Hanmuren.JPG> . Han wall remains near Yumen Pass; cropped and resized.

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Structure annotations, signaling diagrams, the supply scene, and the fictional border decision scene are classroom illustrations. They simplify relationships and are not exact reconstructions of one historical event.

Historical cautions used in the lesson

- Qin, Han, and Ming defenses developed in different places and periods; they were not one wall built at one time.
- A modern photograph cannot prove ancient troop numbers or military success.
- Signal types, tower spacing, and speed varied; the diagram shows a condition-dependent relay.
- A blocked road could delay supplies; it did not automatically mean immediate starvation.
- Controlled crossings and exchange did not guarantee peace, and neighboring peoples were not one permanent enemy.