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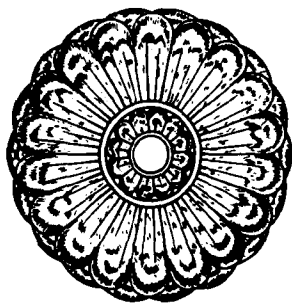
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Hence, to meet the needs, we have completed this book relating to various facets of Chinese culture, ranging from China's geography, climate, legends, dynasties to philosophy, literature, art, religion, *Wushu*, medicine, cuisine, education, festival celebrations, etc., beginning from the ancient emperors, ending with the Republic of China.

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knowledge of Chinese culture.

This book can serve as a course book of Chinese culture for those who study Chinese as a second foreign language. It can also be a practical reader for visiting scholars, overseas students who work and study in English speaking countries when they need to introduce the Chinese culture to the people around them.

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