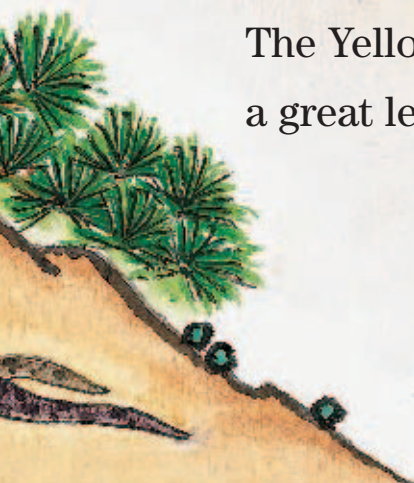
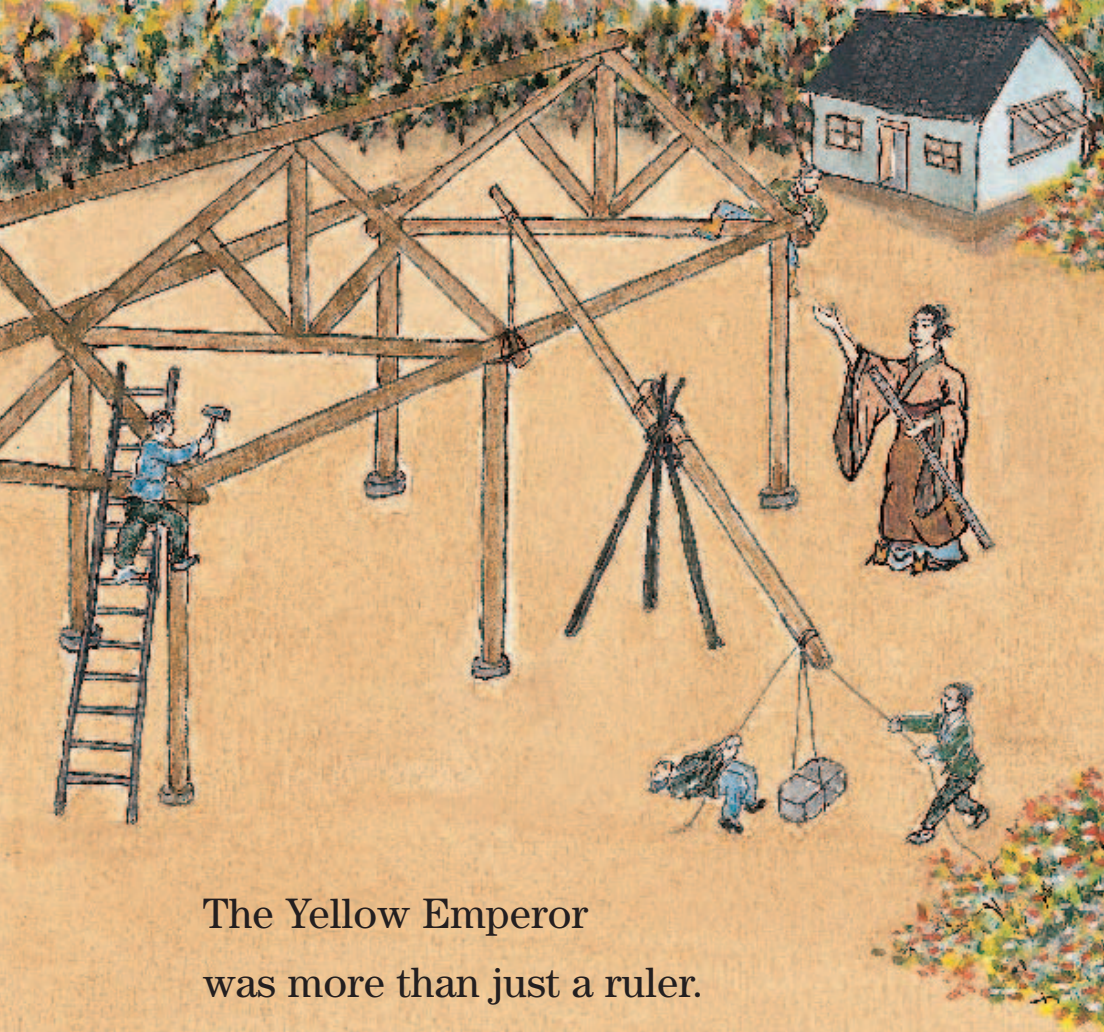




One night on Mount Tai, long ago,  
a mother gave birth to a golden dragon.  
He had four faces—  
one on the front and one on the back,  
one on the left and one on the right.  
The baby was the Yellow Emperor.  
He started talking in just a few days  
and grew up quickly.  
The Yellow Emperor became  
a great leader in the region.





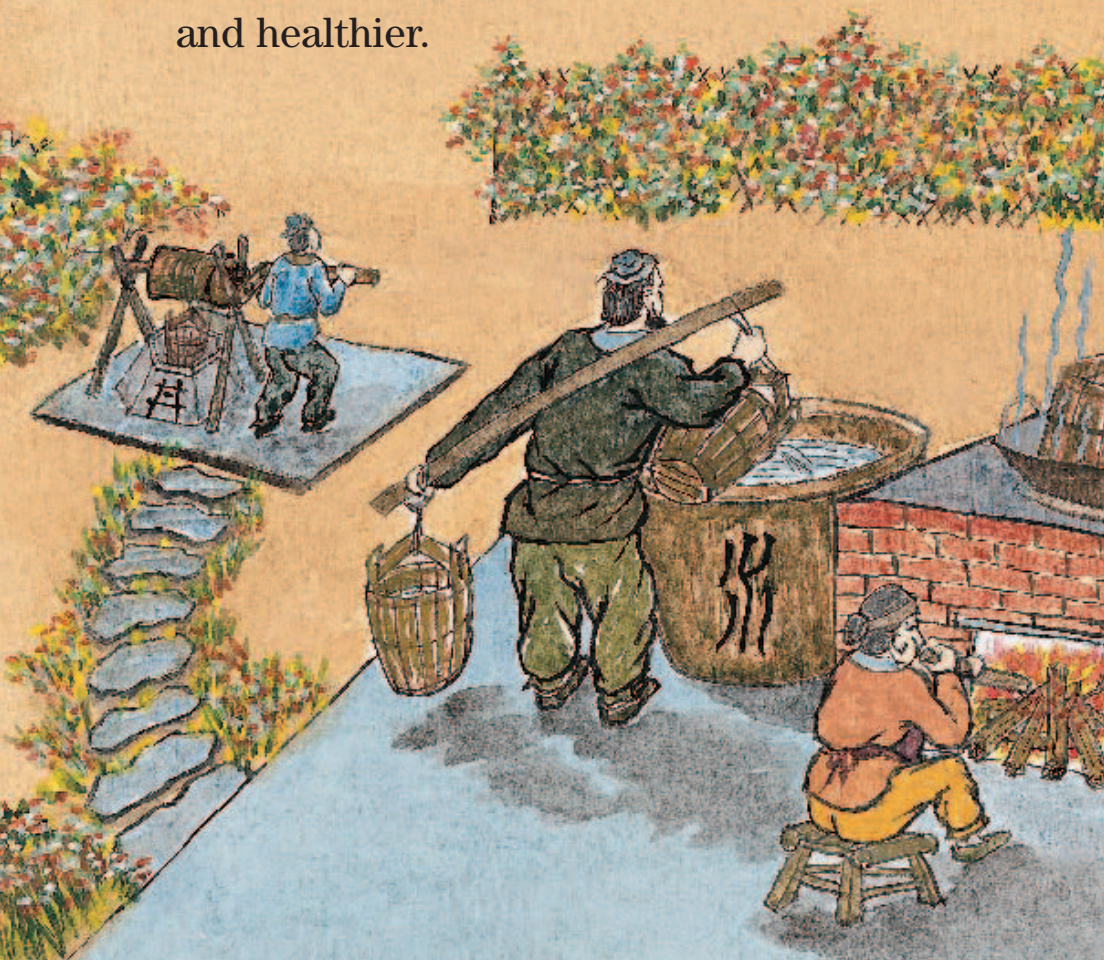


The Yellow Emperor  
was more than just a ruler.  
He was also an inventor.  
He taught his people  
how to use fire to cook raw food.  
He invented the wok  
to make cooking easier.



He also taught people where to dig wells  
and how to build houses.

With cooked food,  
clean water,  
and safe homes,  
his people grew stronger  
and healthier.







The emperor supported his officials  
as they created their own inventions.  
Under his leadership, people studied  
the sun, the moon, and the stars.





They invented written language  
and Chinese characters.

They used this invention  
to write down laws  
and to create a calendar.

They recorded history and medicine.

They wrote about science and art.

Life in the Yellow Emperor's kingdom was good.



But peace was often broken  
when neighboring tribes attacked.  
The Yellow Emperor had to fight  
to defend his land and people.  
To help him battle his enemies,  
he gathered clouds and rain.  
He called upon the birds  
and the animals to join him.





The Yellow Emperor also created inventions  
to help his soldiers fight.

He invented war chariots  
so that his army could move faster.

He created battle banners  
so that his soldiers  
could follow their commanders' orders  
from far and near.



## *The Black Dragon*

One of the Yellow Emperor's greatest warriors was the Black Dragon, named Chi You.

He drove the Yellow Emperor's chariot and served as a top minister in his court.

He was also the leader of nine powerful tribes in the land.

Chi You had four eyes on his horned, steel head, and six arms on his scaly body.

He could summon winds and rains.

He used these powers in battle to destroy his enemies.



