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Exploring China's Vibrant Cities

Short Answer Key

1. (Answers may vary, e.g., unique aspect: the skyline is dominated by towering skyscrapers.)
2. The Temple of Heaven is a historic temple complex in Beijing used for imperial ceremonies, primarily for offerings and prayers for a good harvest.
3. The Great Wall of China is a massive wall constructed to protect against invaders and stretches for thousands of miles. It is significant for its historical importance and engineering marvel.
4. (Answers may vary, e.g., the Chen Clan Ancestral Hall is known for its intricate wood carvings and ceramic sculptures, representing traditional Chinese architecture.)
5. Xi'an is known as the "ancient capital" because it served as the capital of multiple Chinese dynasties. The famous archaeological discovery in Xi'an is the Terracotta Army, a collection of thousands of life-sized clay soldiers buried with China's first emperor.

