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Storytelling Project

The Story Outline:

Aisin-Gioro Bukuuri-Yongshon, the ancestor of the Manchu Emperors, born of Bodhisattva Gurun, a Heavenly Maiden, practiced the Laws of Heavens, led the Ten Warring Tribes to stop fighting and achieve peace, and to defeat the Devils with intervention from the Heavens and help from friendly animals in the forest, and to grow into a peaceful and harmonious nation.

The Character Description:

A 3- 5 sentence Character Description that includes the following.

1. Main Protagonist/Character Traits: a. Aisin-Gioro Bukuuri-Yongshon, a legendary hero with mythical birth; b. the Dinosaurs, incarnation of evil.

2. Body traits: Giant creatures, with light skin, and colorful furs.

3. Clothing: a. Manchu Ethnic Costume, medieval army uniform, weapons, hunting and gathering tools.

4. Personality traits Funny and humorous, happy or sad, angry or helpful, weak or strong, depending on the needs of the different scenes from the story.

The Story Development:

1. **Stasis/Exposition:** Once upon a time, three Heavenly Maidens landed on top of the Ever-White Mountain, and took bath in the Heavenly Lake, also called the Bathing Pond of Goddess. The eldest among them is named Gracious Gurun, the second Righteous Gurun, and the youngest Bodhisattva Gurun. After taking the bath, they went ashore to take a rest. A Heavenly Gyrfalcon flew close by with a Magic Red Fruit dangling from the corner of its mouth, and released it on the cloth of Bodhisattva Gurun. The Magic Red Fruit was so fresh and beautiful that Bodhisattva Gurun put it into her mouth. While she was getting dressed, the Magic Red Fruit entered her stomach and got her pregnant. She told her elder sisters that she felt that her body was getting heavy and she could not fly back to the Heavens. The sisters told her that they had all taken the Sacred Root of Longevity and would not die, thus, she could wait till her child was born and return to

Heavens later. The elder sisters then left for the Heavens. Bodhisattva Gurun then gave both to a magic boy, Aisin-Gioro Bukuuri-Yongshon, who started to walk and to speak right at the moment of his birth, and soon grew up as a giant hero. Bodhisattva Gurun then told him about his birth and future as a brilliant king to protect the week, to defeat the aggressors, bringing peace to the Ten Warring Tribes, in a land along the Black Dragon River, the Land of Manchuria; she gave him a small boat and flew back to the Heavens.

2. **Rising Action (Character development):** Aisin-Gioro Bukuuri-Yongshon started to prepare himself for his mission. Every day he practiced martial arts in the Forest of Magic Birches and Pines, eating fruits and ginseng roots and drinking water from mountain springs, adorned himself with Rhododendron flowers. He made friends with living creatures in his surrounding, such as eagles, corvus, crane, magpie, tigers, monkeys and others, sharing food, drinks, dancing and singing, to cultivate a heart of peace and love. As soon as he became a Kung Fu master, he sailed along the Black Dragon River to the Land of Manchuria. Once he saw people living in the villages, he cut some willow branches to make a chair, sat down to take a break while watching what the passers-by were doing. A young man named Young Sun came to the river to get water and saw Aisin Gioro as a giant hero with a beautiful smile, and believed that he was the hero who could bring peace to the Ten Warring Tribes. Young Sun then went to spread the news among the people in the communities, and persuaded the chiefs to come to see Aisin Gioro.
3. **Climax:** Aisin-Gioro Bukuuri-Yongshon met the chiefs of the Ten Warring Tribes, told them the same story his mother told him. He asked them to stop fighting each other so that the people from the communities could live in peace and enjoy happiness. The tribal chiefs agreed and then elected him as the King of the Land of Manchuria, married him with Snow White, the most beautiful princess of the land as the Queen, and enthroned him on the Nine-Dragon Throne. Thus was born the New Manchu Nation. The people then started to live in peace, growing crops, fishing, hunting, dancing and partying for many years. This happy community life lasted for fifteen years until one day, the Devils from the Hell, out of a feeling of jealousies burning in its heart, invaded the Land of Manchuria as a group of carnivorous dinosaurs, in a dark night with the Star of Sirius shining in the sky and a strong black wind blowing from the west, started to make trouble among the people, stealing, robbing, eating humans alive and burning villages.
4. **Falling Action:** Thus the war started between the species. Bodhisattva Gurun, the Mother of Aisin-Gioro Bukuuri-Yongshon, now a Goddess in the Court of the Heavens, asked the God of the Heavens to intervene and led a group of Black Dragons and other giant creatures to join the fight. With magic power, Aisin-Gioro Bukuuri-Yongshon and his people all grow into invincible giants armed with magic weapons. In addition, his old friends in the jungle, the eagles, corvus, magpie, tigers, monkeys and others, came to help. The Coalition of Heavenly and Earthly Creatures of Good Will then started to resist the Devils. Finally, after a great battle, the Coalition defeated the Devils, slaughtering some on the spot and chasing the other back into the Hell. The Ten Tribes then held a great festival to celebrate the victory of good over the evil.

5. **Resolution:** The community grow stronger and more harmonious. The people offered thanksgiving to the gracious help from the Heavens and from the friendly creatures, pledged to live by the Laws of the Heavens, and ever since live in a Dream World of Peace and Harmony, until 1644, the Manchu Nation unified China, Tibet, Mongolia, Eastern Turkistan, and Manchuria into a multi-cultural nation-state with over 50 different ethnic groups, all living in peace and harmony.



The Story Illustration Slides:

1. **Stasis/Exposition:**

Scene One. The Eternal Heavenly Lake

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Scene Two. The Magic Forest of Birches and Pines

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- Once he saw people living in the villages, he cut some willow branches to make a chair, sat down to take a break while watching what the passers-by were doing.
- He saw people killing each other and crops failing because of insect epidemics.

- A young man named Young Sun came to the river to get water and saw Aisin Gioro as a giant hero with a beautiful smile, and believed that he was the hero who could bring peace to the Ten Warring Tribes.
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3. **Climax:**

Scene Three. The Manchu Village

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- Until one day, the Devils from the Hell, out of a feeling of jealousies burning in its heart, invaded the Land of Manchuria as a group of carnivorous dinosaurs,
- In a dark night with the Star of Sirius shining in the sky and a strong black wind blowing from the west, started to make trouble among the people, stealing, robbing, eating humans alive and burning villages.

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Scene Four. The Wildness of Manchuria

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- pledged to live by the Laws of the Heavens, and ever since live in a Dream World of Peace and Harmony,
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