

The All Time Favourite Folktales Of Asia

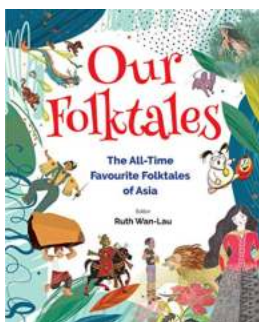
Folktales hold a special place in the hearts and minds of people all over the world. With their captivating narratives, moral lessons, and cultural significance, these timeless stories have been passed down from generation to generation. In Asia, there is a rich tapestry of folktales that have been cherished for centuries. Let's delve into some of the all-time favorite folktales of Asia, each carrying its own unique charm and wisdom.

The Tale of Momotaro - Japan

One of Japan's most beloved folktales, "The Tale of Momotaro," tells the story of a boy born from a peach. Momotaro embarks on a heroic journey to defeat the demons plaguing his village. With the help of faithful companions, a dog, a monkey, and a pheasant, he overcomes numerous challenges. This tale teaches the virtues of courage, loyalty, and teamwork.

The Legend of the White Snake - China

In China, the legend of the White Snake is a timeless love story filled with magic and sacrifice. It revolves around the forbidden love between a snake spirit and a mortal man. Despite the disapproval of society and the obstacles they face, their love transcends boundaries and stands the test of time. This tale is celebrated for its touching portrayal of love's power and resilience.



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The Monkey and the Crocodile - India

Originating from the Indian subcontinent, "The Monkey and the Crocodile" is a popular folktale that imparts moral values. The story narrates the friendship between a monkey and a crocodile. When the crocodile's wife desires the monkey's heart, the friendship is put to the test. With his wit and cleverness, the monkey manages to outsmart the crocodile, teaching the importance of trust and discernment.

The Story of Hachiko - Japan

Hachiko's story is not just a folktale but a remarkable true story that touches the heart of millions. In 1920s Tokyo, Hachiko, an Akita dog, faithfully accompanied his owner to the train station every day. Even after his owner's death, Hachiko continued to wait for him at the station for almost ten years. This heartwarming tale showcases the loyalty, devotion, and unconditional love that dogs embody.

The Legend of the Merlion - Singapore

Singapore's iconic symbol, the Merlion, has a fascinating folkloric origin. According to the legend, a prince named Sang Nila Utama discovered the island and named it "Singapura," meaning "Lion City" in Malay. One night, as the prince was resting on the island, he encountered a mysterious creature, half-lion and half-fish, symbolizing good luck and prosperity. The symbol of the Merlion continues to be a cherished part of Singaporean culture.

The Tale of The Dragon King's Daughter - Korea

In Korean folklore, "The Tale of The Dragon King's Daughter" tells the story of a fisherman who saves a trapped turtle. In gratitude, the turtle leads him to the underwater palace of the Dragon King, where the fisherman meets the Dragon King's beautiful daughter. This tale emphasizes the values of kindness, compassion, and the rewards that come with helping others.

The Legend of Romo and Jule - Indonesia

The Indonesian folktale "The Legend of Romo and Jule" has been cherished for generations. It tells the story of two young lovers, Romo and Jule, from rivaling kingdoms. Despite the constraints of their families, their love for each other prevails. This tale symbolizes the power of love to conquer all boundaries, even those created by society.

The Story of Tam and Cam - Vietnam

In Vietnam, "The Story of Tam and Cam" is a popular fairytale. Similar to "Cinderella," it revolves around two stepsisters and their journey to find love. Tam, the kind and humble stepsister, faces numerous challenges but ultimately finds her happiness. The tale highlights the virtues of kindness, resilience, and the transformative power of love.

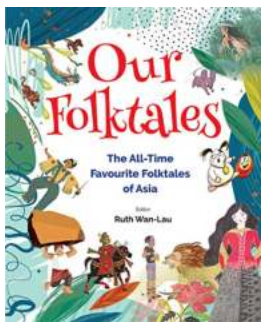
The Legend of Thakhek and Nang Lom - Laos

Laotian folklore tells the tale of "Thakhek and Nang Lom." This legend portrays the adventurous love story between the human prince Thakhek and Nang Lom, a fairy from heaven. Their love blossoms amidst obstacles and trials, emphasizing the determination and strength needed to overcome adversity in pursuit of true love.

The Legend of the Firebird - Russia

The Russian folk legend of the Firebird has captivated imaginations for centuries. It revolves around a stunningly beautiful bird with feathers that shine like a flame. Anyone who captures the Firebird's feather possesses the key to unrivaled wealth and power. This tale symbolizes the pursuit of extraordinary dreams and the fulfillment that comes from embracing one's path.

These all time favourite folktales of Asia are a testament to the power of storytelling and the enduring impact they have on cultures around the world. Each tale carries its own unique message, values, and customs, providing insights into the rich cultural heritage of Asia. So, let's celebrate and honor these timeless stories that continue to inspire and enchant both young and old.



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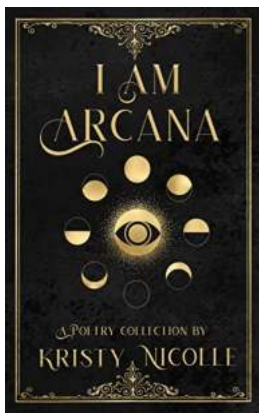
Our Folktales: The All-time Favourite Folktales from Asia is a collection of eight beloved children's stories from China, India, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines and Singapore. In these beautifully illustrated tales, you will meet brave heroes who outsmart others, mystical spells that enchant, talking animals that are full of mischief, and so much more. The diversity and wonder of Asia are found in these precious stories that have been passed down through

generations, and now, adapted in this compilation, for your reading pleasure. These stories will not just fascinate young readers, they will also educate because they speak of admirable traits, like strength and determination, family loyalty, and and even, mysterious allegories that reveal history!Our Folktales: The All-time Favourite Folktales from Asia was awarded the Finalist Award for 'Children's Illustrative Picture Book (6 Years & Up)' for the Next Generation Indie Book Awards 2021.



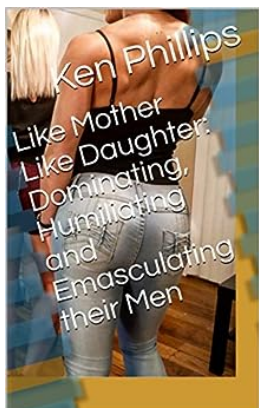
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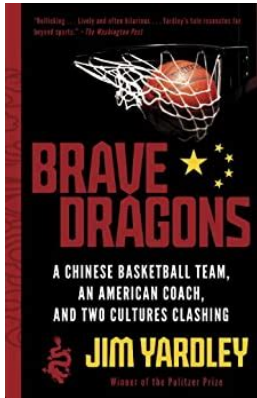
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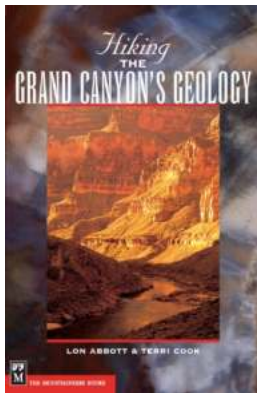
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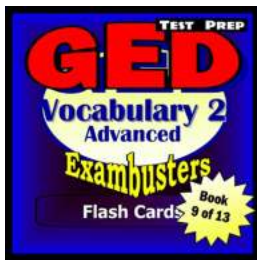
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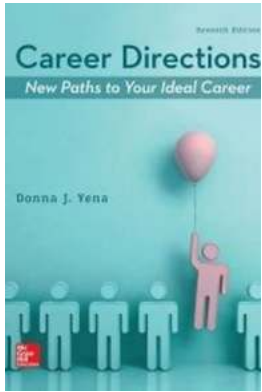
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