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Asian Children's Favorite Stories: A Treasury Of Folktales From China, Japan, Korea, India, The Philippines, Thailand, Indonesia And Malaysia



Synopsis

This beautifully illustrated multicultural children's book showcases many of the stories and fairy tales from Asia. For thousands of years, parents around the world have been telling their children stories; at bedtime, over the dinner table, and around the fire. Each country has its own set of fascinating tales, which are especially enjoyable for children to discover. Asian Children's Favorite Stories is a marvelous collection of 13 beautifully told folktales from eight major countries in Asia-China, Japan, Korea, India, the Philippines, Thailand, Malaysia and Indonesia. Open the pages of this fascinating storybook to introduce your child to the wonders of Asia-and the joy of finding new favorites to read over and over again. Asian children's stories include: The Waters of Olive Lake – •CHINA Why Cats and Dogs Don't Get Along – •KOREA The Clever Rabbit and Numskull – •INDIA The Crane's Gratitude – •JAPAN Why the Tapir Has No Tail – •MALAYSIA Baka the Cow and Kalabaw the Water Buffalo – •PHILIPPINES And many more! The Children's Favorite Stories series was created to share the folktales and legends most beloved by children in the East with young readers of all backgrounds in the West. Other multicultural children's books in this series include: Indian Children's Favorite Stories, Indonesian Children's Favorite Stories, Japanese Children's Favorite Stories, Singapore Children's Favorite Stories, Favorite Children's Stories from China & Tibet, Chinese Children's Favorite Stories, Korean Children's Favorite Stories, Balinese Children's Favorite Stories, and Vietnamese Children's Favorite Stories.

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Customer Reviews

Kindergarten-Grade 4 • Some of these 13 stories have been widely retold, such as "The Crane's Gratitude" from Japan and "Liang and His Magic Brush" from China. Others have variations told in other cultures, such as "How the Sea Became Salty." Most of the selections are six to eight pages in length. Yee's watercolor illustrations add lushness as well as humor in all the right places. The final story, from Thailand, "The Lucky Farmer Becomes King," is the longest in the collection at 15 pages. There is a bit of gore when the farmer's wife kills a bear—she is shown holding a bloody knife, standing over the prone animal. The volume includes a brief glossary, but lacks source notes. While the retellings, done by a number of different people, are not consistently strong, this title will make an attractive addition to larger collections. • DeAnn Okamura, San Mateo County Library, CA Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

"The stories are retold in crisp, contemporary idiom and use rich, expressive language that makes them great for reading aloud, whether at home or in school." • Papertigers.org blog "The illustrations allow the reader to picture the culture as well as the setting. The stories bring in various parts of the culture—as well as some of the structure of the society. As always I find these stories a fun way to bring the culture alive!" • Crafty Moms Share blog

Great stories that we have read more than once by request

I will use it as a story time book for book for my elementary classroom. It is a good resource for a multicultural curriculum.

Love this!

For thousands of years parents around the world have been telling kids stories: here's an outstanding and enthusiastically recommended specialty collection of some thirteen lovely folktales drawn from eight major countries in Asia: each of which is perfect for both introducing very young kids to Asian favorites and for adding new excitement to the nighttime reading routine. **ASIAN CHILDREN'S FAVORITE STORIES** holds many fascinating picks, from 'How the Sea Became

Salty' from Japan to a Malaysian folk story 'Why the Tapir Has No Tail'. Parents interested in unique read-aloud opportunities will find it inviting, with lovely color drawings by Patrick Yee adding excitement.

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