



China

Digital Resources and Children's Books

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Kid-Friendly Videos:

Images of China: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dlxBxAZIXHM>

Great Wall of China for Kids:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9dlyk65vR-g>

Chinese Dance: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r_IsFq8yeY0

Chinese Music: <https://www.chinaeducationaltours.com/guide/culture-chinese-music.htm>

What is Peking Opera?: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ka5z3uYctug>

Make a Chinese Lantern:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YYrkvOiawQ0>

Giant Panda Breeding Center in Chengdu:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=izxkKkG3kzI>

Websites:

National Geographic Kids Overview:

<http://kids.nationalgeographic.com/explore/countries/china/>

Compilation of Interesting Facts:

<http://www.china-family-adventure.com/china-facts.html>

Science Kids, Country Facts

<http://www.sciencekids.co.nz/sciencefacts/countries/china.html>

21 Fun Facts: <http://www.great-wall-of-china.com/china-facts-for-kids.html>

Chinese Culture: <http://www.livescience.com/28823-chinese-culture.html>

Traditions: <http://www.chinese-traditions-and-culture.com/chinese-traditions.html>

Inventions in China:

<https://interestingengineering.com/made-in-china-chinese-inventions-that-changed-the-world>

6 Chinese Medicine Techniques:

<https://www.practicalpainmanagement.com/patient/treatments/alternative/6-traditional-chinese-medicine-techniques>

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Secondary Grades Websites:

<http://www.pbs.org/kcts/preciouschildren/china/cultural.html>

Hong Kong History: <http://www.bbc.com/news/world-asia-pacific-16526765>

Lesson Plans/Activities

Traditional Games:

<http://www.activityvillage.co.uk/traditional-chinese-games>

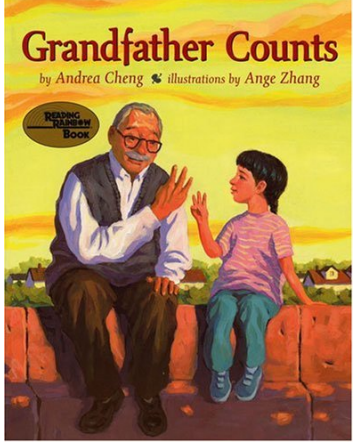
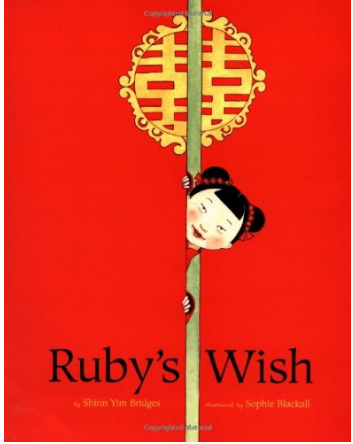
Story writing Printable:

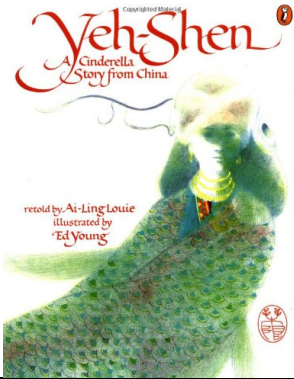
<http://www.activityvillage.co.uk/chinese-landscape-story-paper>

Chinese Paper Cutting Tutorial:

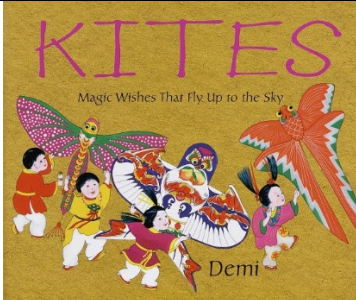
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UkTV6enoXUY>

Children's Books:

	<p>Title: Grandfather Counts Author: Andrea Cheng Age Range: 6 - 8 years Grade Level: Preschool and up Series: Reading Rainbow Books Paperback: 32 pages Publisher: Lee & Low Books; Reprint edition (March 2003) Language: English ISBN-10: 1584301589 Summary: In this contemporary intergenerational story, a biracial girl and her Chinese grandfather overcome language differences and develop a special bond.</p>
	<p>Title: Ruby's Wish Author: Shirin Yim Grade Level: Preschool - 7 Lexile Measure: 600L (What's this?) Hardcover: 36 pages Publisher: Chronicle Books (September 2002) Language: English ISBN-10: 0811834905 Summary: Ruby is unlike most little girls in old China. Instead of aspiring to get married, Ruby is determined to attend university when she grows up, just like the boys in her family. Based upon the inspirational story of the author's grandmother and accompanied by richly detailed illustrations, Ruby's Wish is an engaging portrait of a young girl who strives for more and a family who rewards her hard work and courage.</p>



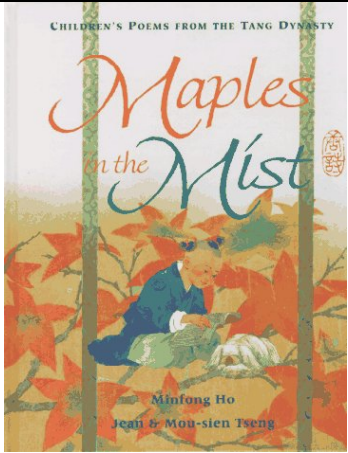
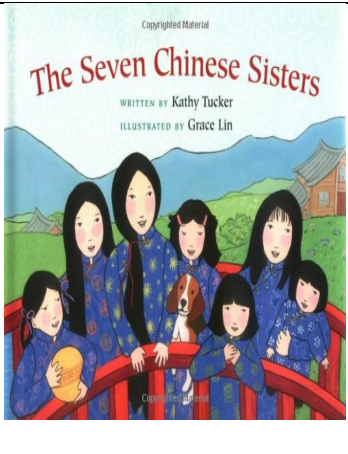
Title: Yeh-Shen: A Cinderella Story from China
Author: Ai-Ling Louie
Age Range: 4 - 8 years
Grade Level: Preschool - 3
Lexile Measure: 840L
Paperback: 32 pages
Publisher: Puffin Books; 1 edition (May 7, 1996)
Language: English
ISBN-10: 0698113888
Summary: A Cinderella Story From China

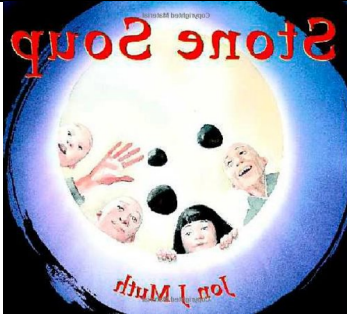


Title: Kites
Author: Demi
Age Range: 5 - 8 years
Grade Level: Kindergarten - 3
Hardcover: 40 pages
Publisher: Knopf Books for Young Readers; 1st edition (March 16, 1999)
Language: English
ISBN-10: 0517800497
Summary: With the signature style and extraordinary artistry that have won her a loyal following, Demi tells the story of how kites came to be. Long ago in China, holy painters would paint the townspeople's wishes on paper to be left in temples for the gods to see and grant. But one day, an impatient mother who wanted her son to grow up strong and wise, had a holy painter paint a dragon, the symbol of strength and wisdom, on a kite. She then flew the kite up to the heavens where the gods lived so they would see the wish sooner and grant it more quickly.

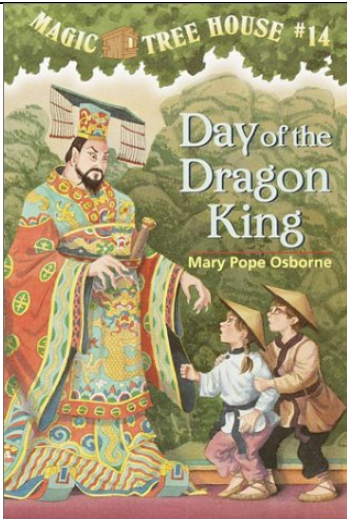


Title: Tikki Tikki Tembo
Author: Arlene Mosel
Age Range: 4 - 8 years
Grade Level: Preschool - 3
Lexile Measure: 1090L ([What's this?](#))
Series: Owlet Book
Paperback: 48 pages
Publisher: Henry Holt and Co. (BYR); Reissue edition (September 15, 1989)
Language: English
ISBN-10: 0805011668
Summary: Three decades and more than one million copies later children still love hearing about the boy with the long name who fell down the well. Arlene Mosel and Blair Lent's classic re-creation of an ancient Chinese folktale has hooked legions of children, teachers, and parents, who return, generation after generation, to

	<p>learn about the danger of having such an honorable name as Tikki tikki tembo-no sa rembo-chari bari ruchi-pip peri pembo.</p>
	<p>Title: Liang and The Magic Paintbrush Author: Demi Age Range: 4 - 8 years Grade Level: Preschool - 3 Lexile Measure: 480L Series: Reading Rainbow Books Paperback: 32 pages Publisher: Square Fish; Reprint edition (July 15, 1988) Language: English ISBN-10: 0805008012 Summary: When a poor boy in China receives a magical paintbrush, everything he paints turns to life. But the wicked emperor wants to capture the boy when he hears the news. The story will excite readers as the ruler gets his just reward when the boy creates a masterpiece that spells his doom.</p>
	<p>Title: Maples in the Mist: Poems for Children from the Tang Dynasty Author: Minfong Ho Hardcover: 24 pages Publisher: Lothrop, Lee and Shepard Books (September 1996) Language: English ISBN-10: 068812044X Summary: These Tang dynasty poems, translated from the Chinese, were traditionally memorized by children learning to read. Ho tells readers in the brief, intimate introduction how the book grew out of her desire to pass these vivid four-line verses on to her own children.</p>
	<p>Title: The Seven Chinese Sisters Author: Kathy Tucker Age Range: 5 - 8 years Grade Level: Kindergarten - 3 Hardcover: 32 pages Publisher: Albert Whitman & Company (January 1, 2003) Language: English ISBN-10: 0807573094 Summary: Once there were seven Chinese sisters who lived together and took care of each other. Each one had a special talent. When baby Seventh Sister is snatched by a hungry dragon, her loving sisters race to save her</p>



Title: Stone Soup
Author: Jon J Muth
Age Range: 4 - 8 years
Grade Level: Preschool - 3
Lexile Measure: 480L ([What's this?](#))
Hardcover: 32 pages
Publisher: Scholastic Press; 1st edition (March 1, 2003)
Language: English
ISBN-10: 043933909X
Summary: Award-winning artist Jon J Muth retells the favorite tale of a selfish community who is tricked into creating a delicious soup from stones. Set in China in Muth's hauntingly beautiful watercolors.

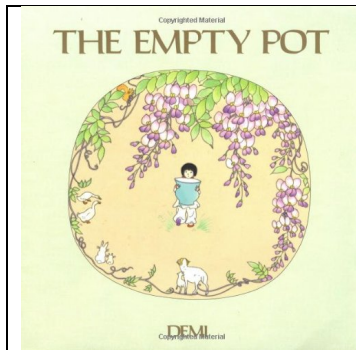


Title: Magic Treehouse: The Day of the Dragon King
Author: Mary Pope Osborne
Age Range: 6 - 9 years
Grade Level: 1 - 4
Lexile Measure: 380L
Series: A Stepping Stone Book(TM) (Book 14)
Paperback: 68 pages
Publisher: Random House Books for Young Readers; First Printing edition (April 20, 1998)
Language: English
ISBN-10: 9780679890515
Summary: Jack and Annie find out when the Magic Tree House whisks them back to ancient China. There, a powerful emperor called the Dragon King has ordered that all books be burned. Will Jack and Annie be able to save at least one book? Or will they be captured by the emperor's soldiers?



Age Range: 9 - 12 years
Grade Level: 4 - 7
Lexile Measure: 740L ([What's this?](#))
Hardcover: 256 pages
Publisher: Clarion Books (April 2, 2013)
Language: English
ISBN-10: 0547848013
Summary: Things aren't looking good for fourteen-year-old Mehri gul. She yearns to be in school, but she's needed on the family farm. The longer she's out of school, the more likely it is that she'll be sent off to a Chinese factory . . . perhaps never to return. Her only hope is an American woman who buys one of her decorative vine baskets for a staggering sum and says she will return in three weeks for more. Mehri gul must brave terrible storms, torn-up hands from working the fields, and her father's scorn to get the baskets done. The stakes are high, and time is

	<p>passing. A powerful intergenerational story of a strong, creative young artist in a cruelly oppressive society.</p>
	<p>Title: Grandfather Tang's Story Author: Ann Tompert Age Range: 3 - 7 years Grade Level: Preschool - 2 Series: Dragonfly Books Paperback: 32 pages Publisher: Dragonfly Books; 1st edition (August 12, 1997) Language: English ISBN-10: 0517885581 Summary: Drawing on a Chinese form of storytelling with seven shapes cut from a square of paper, Tompert recounts the tale of two fox fairies. Parker's pen-and-watercolor art adds drama, while the tangram insets will motivate children to try their own versions."-</p>
	<p>Title: Lon Po Po: A Red-Riding Hood Story from China Author: Ed Young Age Range: 4 - 8 years Grade Level: Preschool - 3 Lexile Measure: 0670 (What's this?) Hardcover: 32 pages Publisher: Philomel Books; 1st edition (November 1, 1989) Language: English ISBN-10: 0399216197 Summary: Not for the faint-hearted, <i>Lon Po Po</i> (Grandmother Wold), is a tale of a menacing danger and courage....(Young's) command of page composition and his sensitive use of color give the book a visual force that matches the strength of the story and stands as one of the illustrator's best efforts."</p>
	<p>Title: The House of Sixty Fathers Author: Meindert DeJong Age Range: 8 - 12 years Grade Level: 3 - 6 Lexile Measure: 820L Paperback: 208 pages Publisher: HarperCollins; Reissue edition (August 28, 1987) Language: English ISBN-10: 0064402002 Summary: Tien Pao is all alone in enemy territory. Only a few days before, his family had escaped from the Japanese army, fleeing downriver by boat. Then came the terrible rainstorm. Tien Pao was fast asleep in the little sampan when the boat broke loose from its moorings and drifted right back to the Japanese soldiers. With only his lucky pig for company, Tien Pao must begin a long and dangerous journey in search of his home and family.</p>



Title: The Empty Pot

Author: Demi

Age Range: 4 and up

Grade Level: Preschool - 3

Series: An Owlet Book

Paperback: 32 pages

Publisher: Square Fish; Reprint edition (September 15, 1996)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 0805049002

Summary: When Ping admits that he is the only child in China unable to grow a flower from the seeds distributed by the Emperor, he is rewarded for his honesty