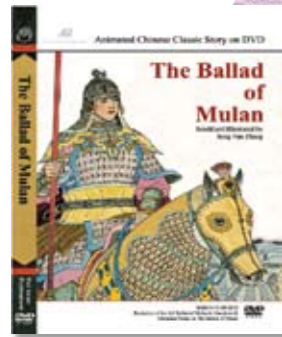


The Ballad of Mulan



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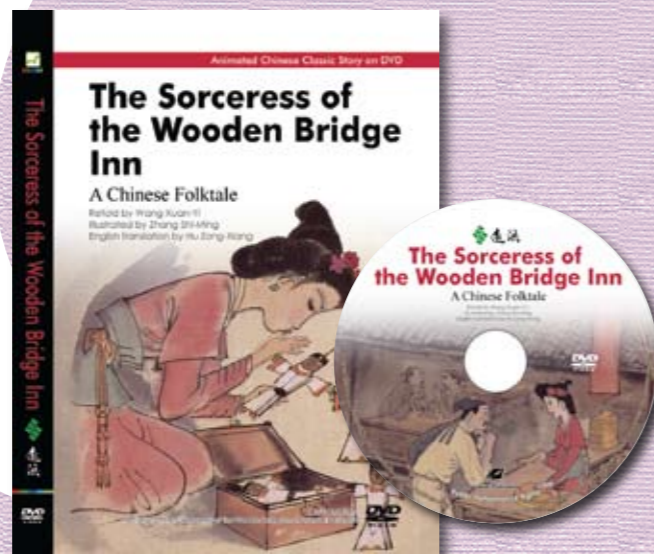
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What fate awaits a thousand-year-old white snake that travels from its sacred mountain to the human world, only to fall in love with a mortal? Such is the unusual beginning of this tragic love story, one of the most popular in all of Chinese opera. Lady White's selfless devotion to her earthly husband is considered by the temple priest an abomination. In a spectacular struggle to stay with her husband, our heroine prevails in the end. However, time is sadly not on her side.

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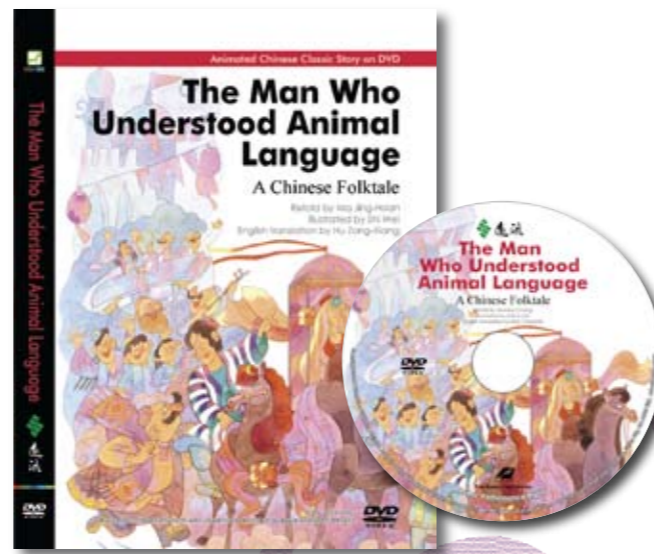


The Sorceress of the Wooden Bridge Inn

English translation by Zongxiang Hu
Retold by Xuanyi Wang; Illustrated by Shiming Zhang

A weary traveller stumbles on a beautiful innkeeper's dark secret. The story, told with enchanting illustrations in traditional Chinese brushpainting, goes on to unveil how the traveller outwits the innkeeper, turns the evil spells on herself, and restores those who were affected by her witchcraft.

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English translation by Zongxiang Hu
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Seven Magic Brothers

English translation by Rick Charette
Retold by Kuang-Tsai Hao; Illustrated by Eva Wang

This retelling of a popular, classic children's story from China begins with seven brothers who walk, talk, and look alike. Each one possesses an amazing power all his own. It is only when the brothers combine their special powers that they fool the cruel and evil emperor, who wishes to do harm to one of the brothers, and save each others' lives.

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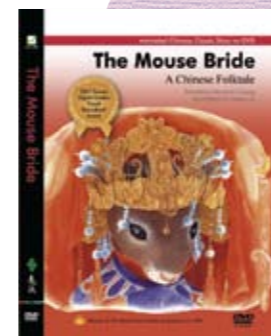
Three Treasures

English translation by Zongxiang Hu
Retold by Xuanyi Wang; Illustrated by Shiming Zhang

Three Treasures is a folk tale from the Uighur people in Xin Jiang, China. The treasures are gifts from a magical fountain to an old couple to help reduce the pressure from cutting wood all day long. However, one after another the three treasures are stolen by the wine stall owner, giving rise to a charming story that is full of twists and turns.

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The Mouse Bride



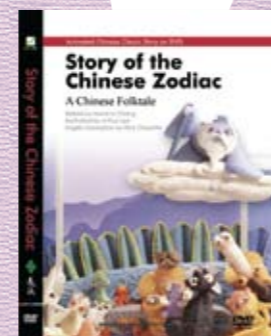
"Are you the strongest being in the world?" an old mouse leader asks the Sun, Cloud, Wind, and Wall in search of a strong husband for his daughter -- someone strong enough to protect her and the village from the cat. The husband, who is finally chosen, provides the perfect ending to this ancient Chinese folktale.

Written by Monica Chang,
Illustrated by Leslie Liu

Winner of the 1992 Catalonia International Illustrator Award

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Story of the Chinese Zodiac

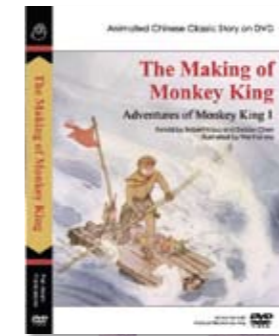


How were the twelve animals chosen for the Chinese Zodiac? Why did the rat come first? These, and other questions, are answered in this hilarious version of the Chinese zodiac legend. The breathtaking, colorful, "paper-cutting" illustrations will captivate young readers as the rollicking characters leap out before their very eyes!

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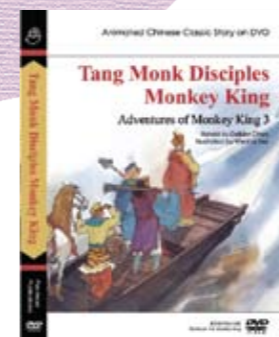
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Is our legendary creature ready to embrace a teachable spirit when grace comes his way and gives him a second chance? As part of Buddha's redemptive plan, Monkey King is called to escort an important mission to ensure its safety and success. Mingled with fables and beliefs, this episode of the Adventures of Monkey King takes us on an action-packed journey to the West.

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