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China: Land of Dragons and Emperors - Adeline Yen Mah 2009-06-09
A fascinating book about the history and culture of China. The history of China spans thousands of years. Journey through China in this fascinating and absorbing book: discover the land of dragons and emperors, and learn about the significance of its ancient dynasties. Countless tools and materials that people have used every day for centuries—paper, gunpowder, cast iron, matches, and silk, to name just a few—were first made in China. Chinese society has progressed through major changes, but lucky numbers, festivals, beliefs about colors, the practic of footbinding, the building of the Great Wall, and the larger-than-life people of China are all integral parts of this ancient civilization and still have an impact on life today. Bestselling author Adeline Yen Mah explores an extraordinary view of the great story of China over the last two millennia in this nonfiction work, which also includes black-and-white photographs.

Chinese Cinderella - Adeline Yen Mah 2009-05-06
More than 800,000 copies in print! From the author of critically acclaimed and bestselling memoir *Falling Leaves*, this is a poignant and moving true account of her childhood, growing up as an unloved daughter in 1940s China. A Chinese proverb says, "Falling leaves return to their roots." In her own courageous voice, Adeline Yen Mah returns to her roots to tell the story of her painful childhood and her ultimate triumph in the face of despair. Adeline's affluent, powerful family considers her bad luck after her mother dies giving birth to her, and life does not get any easier when her father remarries. Adeline and her siblings are subjected to the disdain of her stepmother, while her stepbrother and stepsister are spoiled with gifts and attention. Although Adeline wins prizes at school, they are not enough to compensate for what she really yearns for -- the love and understanding of her family. Like the classic Cinderella story, this powerful memoir is a moving story of resilience and hope. Includes an Author's Note, a 6-page photo insert, a historical note, and the Chinese text of the original Chinese Cinderella. A PW BEST BOOK OF THE YEAR AN ALA-YALSA BEST BOOK FOR YOUNG ADULTS "One of the most inspiring books I have ever read." -The Guardian

The Crazy Rich Asians Trilogy Box Set - Kevin Kwan 2018-08-21
The New York Times bestselling Crazy Rich Asians series reveals the outrageous world of high-net-worth society with humor and heart. Crazy Rich Asians is now a major motion picture. "There's rich, there's filthy rich, and then there's crazy rich." —People New Yorker Rachel Chu does not know that her loving boyfriend, Nicholas Young, also happens to be Singapore's most eligible bachelor and likely heir to a massive fortune. So when she agrees to spend the summer in Nick's home, her life unexpectedly becomes an obstacle course of old money, new money, nosy relatives, and scheming social climbers. And that's all before she discovers the true identity of her long-lost father . . . This box set includes the entire trilogy: *Crazy Rich Asians*, *China Rich Girlfriend*, and *Rich People Problems*.

A Thousand Pieces of Gold - Adeline Yen Mah 2009-05-12
In this poignant memoir the New York Times bestselling author of *Falling Leaves*, Adeline Yen Mah, provides a fascinating window into the history and cultural soul of China. Combining personal reflections, rich historical insights, and proverbs handed down to her by her grandfather, Yen Mah shares the wealth of Chinese civilization with Western readers. Exploring the history behind the proverbs, she delves into the lives of the first and second emperors and the two rebel warriors who changed the course of Chinese life, adding stories from her own life to beautifully illustrate their relevance and influence today.

Adelita - Tomie dePaola 2002-09-16
Hace mucho tiempo—a long time ago—there lived a beautiful young woman named Adelita. So begins the age-old tale of a kindhearted young woman, her jealous stepmother, two hateful stepsisters, and a young

man in search of a wife. The young man, Javier, falls madly in love with beautiful Adelita, but she disappears from his fiesta at midnight, leaving him with only one clue to her hidden identity: a beautiful rebozo—shawl. With the rebozo in place of a glass slipper, this favorite fairy tale takes a delightful twist. Tomie dePaola's exquisite paintings, filled with the folk art of Mexico, make this a Cinderella story like no other.

Noel Streatfeild's Christmas Stories - Noel Streatfeild 2018-11-01
'The wonderful Noel Streatfeild's Christmas Stories collects, for the first time, nine festive stories originally written for annuals and magazines in the 1940s and 1950s . . . As ever, Streatfeild's children always feel utterly real and relatable. A beautifully produced treat' Anna Carey, Irish Times In this captivating collection of stories by the author of *Ballet Shoes*, there are auditions on stage and antics on ice, trips to the pantomime, holiday adventures, and laughter shared with family and friends. Charming, heartwarming and funny, this collection will bring joy to readers of all ages. Originally written in 1940s-60s for annuals, magazines and the radio, these stories have never been collected before. With enchanting line drawings by Peter Bailey. Stories include: The Audition The Bells Keep Twelfth Night The Moss Rose Thimble The Princess The Chain Christmas at Collers The Pantomime Goose Skating to the Stars

The Little Moon Princess - YJ Lee 2010-03-30
Way up in the sky, a little girl sits by herself in a field filled with sparkling jewels. She is the Little Moon Princess. When one day a sparrow comes to visit, she confides in him that even though she's a princess, she still gets scared of the dark. With the help of her new friend, will the Little Moon Princess find a way to light up the sky so she's no longer afraid?

Fat Boy Swim - Catherine Forde 2006
Teased and abused for being grossly overweight, Jimmy, a fourteen-year-old Scottish teenager who dreams mysterious dreams and secretly aspires to become a chef, decides to turn his self-loathing life around by learning how to swim. Reprint.

Bigfoot Cinderrrrrella - Tony Johnston 2009-06-01
The Bigfoot Prince has his heart set on a big, hairy, odiferous bride, and Rrrrella, a perfect match, must get past her awful stepsisters and reach the annual forest fun-fest in time to win his heart. Reprint.

Chinese Opera Costumes Paper Dolls - Ming-Ju Sun 1998-06-01
Splendid collection of 2 figures and 16 dazzling costumes designed for traditional characters in Chinese opera. Lavishly embroidered robes, elegant headdresses, and painted faces for male and female characters.

Suffragette - David Roberts 2018-05-31
An exquisitely illustrated history of the women's suffrage movement, created by the New York Times bestselling David Roberts and introduced by BBC presenter Lauren Laverne. It is over a century since the first women won the vote in the United Kingdom, and Suffragette tells the story of their fight. This is a tale of astounding bravery, ingenuity and strength. David's writing is accessible and his artwork full of rich detail, bringing to life the many vivid characters of the women's suffrage movement - from the militant activist and wheelchair user Rosa May Billinghurst to the world-famous Emmeline Pankhurst, Millicent Fawcett and Emily Wilding Davison. Covering the whole range of female and male suffragist experiences - from aristocrats to the middle and working class as well as a look at the global struggle for universal suffrage, *Suffragette: The Battle for Equality* makes a fantastic introduction to a fascinating topic. David Roberts' exquisite artwork and clear, exceptionally well-researched text make this the perfect gift. This 128 page book is fully colour illustrated on every page, and has been completed with advice from June Purvis, Emeritus Professor of Women's and Gender History at the University of Portsmouth.

Who me, Poor? - Gayatri Jayaraman 2017-07-18
The characteristics and reasons for urban poverty are manifold and seem

to repeat across class structures: migration, culture shock, real estate costs and unrealistic expectations of city life, a lack of financial education, corporate cultures that perpetuate stereotypical workforces, a glamourised entrepreneurial culture that focuses on icons of spending instead of struggle, and economically and politically, the rise of the cashless credit economy and the demise of the thrift economy and its conservative icons. The book will use the case studies of young Indians, typically in their first or second jobs, migrants to major Indian metros, living in these conditions. The reasons for the poverty they experience are varied, and influenced by the industries they work for, their family backgrounds, other financial obligations, social stratas, and peer groups. There are so far, no studies available for this in India, and is a rising phenomenon in the US where it has been called 'poverty with no name'. Gayatri's short piece on the Urban Poor crossed 1.1 million views on Buzzfeed - the highest number for any Indian feature article to date.

Monkey King - Ed Young 2001-02-20

From a fantastic explosion is born the legendary Monkey King, the clever and courageous hero of one of the best-known stories from China. Ambitious Monkey travels to Square Inch Mountain, where he trains with Master Putt to perfect the art of turning cloud somersaults, riding the wind, changing shape, and disappearing in the blink of an eye. Then Monkey eagerly shows off his magic skills by tricking Dragon King and battling Jade Emperor. Monkey is so arrogant, he even gets into trouble with Buddha himself. Caldecott Award-winning author-illustrator Ed Young has created colorful and lively collages and specially designed two fold-out pages to animate the story of Monkey King and his acrobatic, high-spirited adventures. This unprecedented picture-book adaptation introduces just the beginning of the classic epic Journey to the West, about the mission to bring Buddhist scriptures to China. Monkey is only one of its many characters, but he is undeniably the most beloved of them all.

Cinderella - Walt Disney Productions 1993

It's the classic story that all little girls love! Cinderella goes from rags to riches and true love with a little help from her Fairy Godmother in this small and sturdy book featuring beautiful full-color art and easy-to-read text.

Five Children on the Western Front - Kate Saunders 2016-08-02

In this incredible, heart-wrenching story reminiscent of E. Nesbit's *Five Children and It*, Kate Saunders illustrates the power of war but the even greater power of family, and the love that carries us out of the darkness of despair into the light of hope. The sand fairy, also known as the Psammead, is merely a creature from stories Lamb and Edith have heard their older brothers and sisters tell . . . until he suddenly reappears. Lamb and Edith are pleased to have something to take their minds off the war, but this time the Psammead's magic might have a serious purpose. Before their adventure ends, all will be changed, and the Lamb and Edith will have seen the Great War from every possible viewpoint—that of factory workers, soldiers and sailors, and nurses. But most of all, the war's impact will be felt by those left behind, at the very heart of their family. Praise for *Five Children on the Western Front* Winner of the Costas Award for Children's Fiction □ "An irresistible read."—Publishers Weekly, Starred Review "Skillful and deeply moving."—The Guardian "A rewarding experience."—Booklist "Saunders strikes a surprisingly successful balance between the mischievous magic of the sand fairy and the harsh realities of wartime England."—The Bulletin "A dramatic, heartrending look at World War I's far-reaching consequences for families and individuals."—SLJ "An emotionally resonant, engaging story of personal growth (the siblings') and moral education (the Psammead's). With issues of social and gender inequality and a compassionate take on the ruins of war, it's historically convincing, thought-provoking, and sensitive."—The Horn Book Magazine

Gobolino the Witch's Cat - Ursula Moray Williams 2017-01-26

No one could mistake Gobolino for a simple kitchen cat, with his sparky whiskers and magic tricks, but that's just what the witch's kitten wants to be. Instead of learning how to turn mice into toads for the witch's brew, Gobolino sets out on an adventure to find a family and a home of his own. Reissued for its seventy-fifth anniversary with illustrations by the award-winning Catherine Rayner, this classic tale has been loved by generations of children.

Chinese Cinderella - Adeline Yen Mah 2009-08-06

Following a fall in the Shanghai market, Chinese Cinderella is whisked away to Grandma Wu's house to recover. As she lapses in and out of consciousness, she is haunted by vivid dreams that seem strange yet somehow familiar to her. A tale of slavery and friendship, wealth, poverty and an arranged marriage begins, as Chinese Cinderella recalls

a life lived centuries before. But is it real, or all in her imagination . . . **Snow White** - Chloe Perkins 2016-09-13

The classic story of Snow White gets a fresh twist in this vibrant Japanese spin on the beloved fairy tale! Once upon a time, there was a princess called Snow White. She lived in a magnificent castle with her stepmother, a beautiful but wicked queen... The classic tale of Snow White gets a fresh twist in this debut title of a brand-new board book series, *Once Upon a World*. With Japan as the backdrop, and beautiful artwork from Japanese illustrator Misa Saburi, Snow White is still the same girl who meets seven dwarves and accepts a shiny red apple—but she's totally reimagined. *Once Upon a World* offers a multicultural take on the fairy tales we all know and love. Because these tales are for everyone, everywhere.

What to Read When - Pam Allyn 2009-04-02

Read Pam Allyn's posts on the Penguin Blog The books to read aloud to children at the important moments in their lives. In *What to Read When*, award-winning educator Pam Allyn celebrates the power of reading aloud with children. In many ways, books provide the first opportunity for children to begin to reflectively engage with and understand the world around them. Not only can parents entertain their child and convey the beauty of language through books, they can also share their values and create lasting connections. Here, Allyn offers parents and caregivers essential advice on choosing appropriate titles for their children—taking into account a child's age, attention ability, gender, and interests—along with techniques for reading aloud effectively. But what sets this book apart is the extraordinary, annotated list of more than three hundred titles suitable for the pivotal moments in a child's life. With category themes ranging from friendship and journeys to thankfulness, separations, silliness, and spirituality, *What to Read When* is a one-of-a-kind guide to how parents can best inspire children through reading together. In addition, Pam Allyn includes an indispensable "Reader's Ladder" section, with recommendations for children at every stage from birth to age ten. With the author's warm and engaging voice throughout, discussion questions to encourage in-depth conversations, as well as advice on helping kids make the transition to independent reading, this book will help shape thoughtful, creative, and curious children, imparting a love of reading that will last a lifetime. These Penguin Young Reader's Books are referenced in *What to Read When* Sylvia Jean: Drama Queen by Lisa Campbell Ernst (Penguin Young Reader's Group: 2005) Two Is For Twins, by Wendy Cheyette Lewison, illustrations by Hiroe Nakata (Penguin Young Readers: 2006) Remember Grandma? by Laura Langston (Penguin Group (USA): May 2004) Soul Looks Back in Wonder compiled by Tom Feelings (Puffin Books) Time of Wonder by Robert McCloskey (Penguin Books USA, Incorporated: December 1957) When I was Young in the Mountains by Cynthia Rylant illustrated by Diane Goode (Penguin Young Readers Group: January 1993) Nana Upstairs and Nana Downstairs by Tomie DePaola (Puffin Books, an imprint of Penguin Books, Inc.:1973) Good Night, Good Knight by Shelly Moore Thomas, illustrations by Jennifer Plecas (Penguin Young Readers Group: 2002) **Chinese Cinderella and the Secret Dragon Society** - Adeline Yen Mah 2004-08-05

During her lonely childhood in Shanghai, Adeline Yen Mah wrote adventure stories to escape from her terrible step-mother and cruel siblings. The characters she created often became more real to her than her own family. In *Chinese Cinderella and the Secret Dragon Society*, Adeline tells the story of Chinese Cinderella, a young girl who, after being thrown out of her home, has no choice but to go out and seek her own destiny. Soon she meets up with a group of children, all orphaned but each from a different background, who live with an old lady called Grandma Wu. Chinese Cinderella, or CC for short, decides her future after consulting an ancient book which helps to show her the way forward. And her choice takes her on a mission to save the lives of others. Based on a true-life incident during World War II. CC and the others bravely rescue a group of American pilots whose plane crashed after a bombing raid on Japan. Although her father is looking for her, CC knows that she can never go back to live with her cruel stepmother, and now there is no turning back.

Mr Majeika - Humphrey Carpenter 2014

The Ordinary Princess - M. M. Kaye 2002-03-18

Along with Wit, Charm, Health, and Courage, Princess Amy of Phantasmorania receives a special fairy christening gift: Ordinariness. Unlike her six beautiful sisters, she has brown hair and freckles, and would rather have adventures than play the harp, embroider tapestries . . . or become a Queen. When her royal parents try to marry her off, Amy

runs away and, because she's so ordinary, easily becomes the fourteenth assistant kitchen maid at a neighboring palace. And there . . . much to everyone's surprise . . . she meets a prince just as ordinary (and special) as she is! "This delightful fairy tale is sure to please young romantics . . . Neither Kaye's princess nor her book should be considered ordinary." (School Library Journal)

Where Does Electricity Come From? - Susan Mayes 2006-06-01

Explains what electricity is, describes how it is generated, and introduces the sorts of things that use electricity to run, such as telephones and batteries.

Watching the Tree: A Chinese Daughter Reflects on Happiness, Spiritual Beliefs and Universal Wisdom - Adeline Yen Mah 2012-10-18

Author of bestselling 'Falling Leaves' weaves together for the same audience her own personal experiences with the best of Chinese philosophy.

Chinese Cinderella - Adeline Yen Mah 2009-02-05

Chinese Cinderella is an autobiography for children based on the bestselling *Falling Leaves* by Adeline Yen Mah. 'a unique story of triumph over adversity, told against the background of the Nationalist/Communist struggle for control of China.' LoveReading4Kids Jung-ling's family considers her bad luck because her mother died giving birth to her. They discriminate against her and make her feel unwanted yet she yearns and continuously strives for her parents' love. Her stepmother is vindictive and cruel and her father dismissive. Jung-ling grows up to be an academic child, with a natural ability for writing. Only her aunt and grandfather offer her any love and kindness. The story is of survival in the light of the mental and physical cruelty of her stepmother and the disloyalty of her siblings. Jung-ling blossoms in spite of everything and the story ends as her father agrees to let her study in England. This is a reissue in the 'A Puffin Book' series of Puffin children's modern classics.

Walkabout - James Vance Marshall 2009-04-02

Mary and her young brother Peter are the only survivors of an air crash in the middle of the Australian outback. Facing death from exhaustion and starvation, they meet an aboriginal boy who helps them to survive, and guides them along their long journey. But a terrible misunderstanding results in a tragedy that neither Mary nor Peter will ever forget . . .

The Paper Crane - Molly Bang 1987-07-15

Business returns to a once prosperous restaurant when a mysterious stranger pays for his meal with a magical paper crane that comes alive and dances.

Along the River - Adeline Yen Mah 2012-04-10

Bestselling Chinese American author Adeline Yen Mah weaves her authentic accounts of life in China into an absorbing novel about a Chinese girl and her vision of a previous life. After a fall, CC is whisked away to a hospital. As she drifts in and out of consciousness, she is haunted by vivid dreams that seem strange—yet somehow familiar. Thus begins CC's emotional journey back to a privileged life lived eight hundred years ago during the Song dynasty. CC is the daughter of a wealthy and influential man, but she finds herself drawn to a poor orphan boy with a startling ability to capture the beauty of the natural world. As the relationship between these two young people deepens, the transforming power of art and romantic love comes into conflict with the immovable rules of Chinese society. This stunning fantasy adventure novel, inspired by China's most famous painting, *Along the River at the Qing Ming Festival*, tells the story of a friendship both tender and bold. CC's remarkable journey reminds readers that though time moves on, art and love endure.

Tales of Ancient Egypt - Roger Lancelyn Green 2016

Originally published: London: Bodley Head, 1967.

Cinderella's Magical Wheelchair - Jewel Kats 2011-01-01

In this adaptation of the Grimm fairy tale, wheelchair-bound Cinderella perfumes her stepmother's gym socks by day and creates her own jewelry by night, until a fairy-godmother-in-training adds some magic that allows Cinderella to transform her life-- and meet the prince.

Goggle-Eyes - Anne Fine 2001-07-05

Kitty Killin is not only a good storyteller, but also the World's Greatest Expert when it comes to mothers having new and unwanted boyfriends. Particularly when there's a danger they might turn into new and unwanted stepfathers...

Tell Me - Joan Bauer 2014

Feeling scared and powerless when her father's anger escalates and her parents separate, twelve-year-old Anna spends the summer with her

grandmother and decides to make a difference when she sees what seems to be a girl held against her will.

Best Children's Books in the World - Byron Preiss 1996-09-01

A collection of illustrated stories, originally published separately, from all over the world.

Too Many Tamales - Gary Soto 1996-08-08

This modern classic celebrates the tradition of tamales and family bonding at Christmas. Christmas Eve started out so perfectly for Maria. Snow had fallen and the streets glittered. Maria's favorite cousins were coming over and she got to help make the tamales for Christmas dinner. It was almost too good to be true when her mother left the kitchen for a moment and Maria got to try on her beautiful diamond ring . . . This is the story of a treasure thought to be lost in a batch of tamales; of a desperate and funny attempt by Maria and her cousins to eat their way out of trouble; and the warm way a family pulls together to make it a perfect Christmas after all. Also available in Spanish as *¡Qué montón de tamales!*

The Bone Sparrow - Zana Fraillon 2016-07-14

Winner of the CILIP Amnesty Honour 2017. Shortlisted for the Guardian Children's Fiction Prize and the CILIP Carnegie Medal 2017. Perfect for fans of *THE BOY IN THE STRIPED PYJAMAS*. This is a beautiful, vivid and deeply moving story about a refugee boy who has spent his entire life living in a detention centre. This novel reminds us all of the importance of freedom, hope, and the power of a story to speak for anyone who's ever struggled to find a safe home. '...a special book' - Morris Gleitzman, author of the acclaimed *ONCE* series Born in a refugee camp, all Subhi knows of the world is that he's at least 19 fence diamonds high, the nice Jackets never stay long, and at night he dreams that the sea finds its way to his tent, bringing with it unusual treasures. And one day it brings him Jimmie. Carrying a notebook that she's unable to read and wearing a sparrow made out of bone around her neck - both talismans of her family's past and the mother she's lost - Jimmie strikes up an unlikely friendship with Subhi beyond the fence. As he reads aloud the tale of how Jimmie's family came to be, both children discover the importance of their own stories in writing their futures.

Falling Leaves - Adeline Yen Mah 1999-04-06

The emotionally wrenching yet ultimately uplifting memoir of a Chinese woman struggling to win the love and acceptance of her family. Born in 1937 in a port city a thousand miles north of Shanghai, Adeline Yen Mah was the youngest child of an affluent Chinese family who enjoyed rare privileges during a time of political and cultural upheaval. But wealth and position could not shield Adeline from a childhood of appalling emotional abuse at the hands of a cruel and manipulative stepmother. Determined to survive through her enduring faith in family unity, Adeline struggled for independence as she moved from Hong Kong to England and eventually to the United States to become a physician and writer. A compelling, painful, and ultimately triumphant story of a girl's journey into adulthood, Adeline's story is a testament to the most basic of human needs: acceptance, love, and understanding. With a powerful voice that speaks of the harsh realities of growing up female in a family and society that kept girls in emotional chains, *Falling Leaves* is a work of heartfelt intimacy and a rare authentic portrait of twentieth-century China. "Riveting. A marvel of memory. Poignant proof of the human will to endure." —Amy Tan

Games at Twilight and Other Stories - Anita Desai 1998

Set in contemporary Bombay and other cities, these stories reflect the kaleidoscope of urban life - evoking the colour, sounds and white-hot heat of the city. Warm, perceptive, humorous and touched with sadness, Anita Desai's stories are peopled with intensely individual characters - the man spiritually transformed by the surface texture of a melon; the American wife who, homesick for the verdant farmlands of Vermont, turns to the hippies in the Indian hills; the painter living in a slum who fills his canvasses with flowers, birds and landscapes he has never seen.

Yeh-Shen - Ai-Ling Louie 1996-05-07

Told with beauty and grace, this Cinderella story from Ai-Ling Louie is brought vividly to life by Caldecott Medal-winner Ed Young's soft, glowing illustrations. Half-starved and overworked by her stepmother, Yeh-Shen's only friend is a fish with golden eyes. When the stepmother kills the fish for dinner, poor Yeh-Shen is left with only the bones. But the bones are filled with a powerful spirit. When Yeh-Shen is forbidden to attend the annual spring Festival, the spirit grants her a gown of azure blue and delicate golden slippers. That night, everyone marvels at the beautiful, mysterious young woman at the ball. "Misty, jewel-like illustrations evoke the mythic past in this Chinese Cinderella story." —Publishers Weekly

The Glass Mountain - Diane Wolkstein 1999

In a new version of a classic Grimm fairy tale, Princess Raina, helping a potential suitor climb a glass mountain as a contest to win her love, falls through a crack near the top and into Old Rinrank's underground world.

The Explorer's Daughter - Kari Herbert 2004

For the first two years of her life Kari Herbert lived with her mother and father, the explorer Sir Wally Herbert, among the Inuit people in the vast snowy wastes of the High Arctic. Her first words were Inuktun, her first friends the children of hunters and the pull of the place and its people lured the family back several times during her childhood. Then in 2002

she returned to the Arctic alone. She met her childhood friends again, remembered the exhilaration of sledging with dogs across the ice and remembered the language and faces of her early years. She also encountered alarming changes: the uneasy coexistence of modern life and ancient traditions, and of the hopes and tragedy at the heart of this extraordinary and yet deeply familiar community. place of family memories and of savage beauty, where her friends still hunt and eat whale meat; and where she rediscovers a compelling world where light and darkness dominate life.