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Don't Know Much About Mythology Kenneth C. Davis 2009-12-29 In this fascinating installment of the New York Times bestselling Don't Know Much About® series, Kenneth C. Davis explores the great myths of the world and their implications for art, science, religion and culture throughout history. What is an Egyptian pyramid doing on the U. S. dollar bill? • Did a pharaoh inspire Moses to worship one God? • What's a Canaanite demoness doing at a rock concert? Since the beginning of time, people have been insatiably curious. They've asked questions about where we come from, why the stars shine and the seasons change, and what constitutes evil. The imaginative answers crafted by our ancestors have served as religion, science, philosophy, and popular literature. In an engaging and delightfully irreverent question-and-answer style, Davis tackles the epic of Gilgamesh; Achilles and the Trojan War; Stonehenge and the Druids; Odin, Thor, and the entire Norse pantheon; Native American myths, and much more, including the dramatic life and times of the man who would be Buddha. From Mount Olympus to Machu Picchu, here is an insightful, lively look at the greatest stories ever told.

Storytelling: Art and Technique, 5th Edition Janice M. Del Negro 2021-06-30 This book serves as both a textbook and reference for faculty and students in LIS courses on storytelling and a professional guide for practicing librarians, particularly youth services librarians in public and school libraries. Storytelling: Art and Technique serves professors, students, and practitioners alike as a textbook, reference, and professional guide. It provides practical instruction and concrete examples of how to use the power of story to build literacy and presentation skills, as well as to create community in those same educational spaces. This text illustrates the value of storytelling, cover the history of storytelling in libraries, and offer valuable guidance for bringing stories to contemporary listeners, with detailed instructions on the selection, preparation, and presentation of stories. They also provide guidance around the planning and administration of a storytelling program. Topics include digital storytelling, open mics and slams, and the neuroscience of storytelling. An extensive and helpful section of resources for the storyteller is included in an expanded Part V of this edition. Offers readers a thorough overview of the role of story and storytelling in the library Gives a convincing argument for the value of storytelling Provides practical tips on selecting, preparing, and telling stories Presents insights on storytelling to specific populations, including children, young adults, and those with special needs Includes an extensive list of resources

Dragons Stephen Krensky 2008 Ghoulish figures come alive as each book in this series examines the origin of the monster folklore and mythology and their rise to popularity as media icons of today.

Geomythology Timothy J. Burbery 2021-05-26 Gold-guarding griffins, Cyclopes, killer lakes, man-eating birds, and "fire devils" from the sky—such wonders have long been dismissed as fictional. Now, thanks to the richly interdisciplinary field of geomythology, researchers are taking a second look. It turns out that these and similar tales, which originated in pre-literate societies, contain surprisingly accurate, pre-scientific intuitions about startling or catastrophic earth-based phenomena such as volcanoes, earthquakes, tsunamis, and the unearthing of bizarre animal bones. Geomythology: How Common Stories Reflect Earth Events provides an accessible, engaging overview of this hybrid discipline. The introductory chapter surveys geomythology's remarkable history and its core concepts, while the second and third chapters analyze the geomythical resonances of universal earth tales about dragons and giants. Chapter 4 narrows the focus to regional stories and discusses the ways these and other myths have influenced legends about griffins, Cyclopes, and other iconic creatures. The final chapter considers future avenues of research in geomythology, including geohazard management, geomythology databases, geomythical "cold cases," and ways the discipline might eventually set, rather than merely support, research agendas in science. Thus, the book constitutes a valuable asset for scientists and lay readers alike, particularly in a time of growing interest in monsters, massive climate change, and natural disasters.

Generation Why? Dan Greenup 2014-03-31 Why am I here? It's one of life's biggest questions, and there are plenty of answers out there. How do you know which of them is the right one? No, not just the right one for you, which of them is actually true? Sure, you may think you know what all of the answers out there claim, but what if you're wrong? Generation Why? pulls back the curtain, exposing commonly-held beliefs for what they are: self-serving lies to get your money, your time and yes, even your soul.

A Study of Dragons, East and West Qiguang Zhao 1992 Few symbols saturate human civilization so broadly and thoroughly as those of the ubiquitous and enigmatic dragon. This compelling book examines, compares, and analyzes the appearance and symbolization of the Eastern and Western dragons and treats them as the crystallization of human cultures. It shows that Chinese dragons resemble one another but suggest different ideas in different contexts, while Western dragons have different appearances but often denote a single concept. As one of the most notable achievements of dragonology, this book offers astonishing new insights into dragons as zoological «fact», psychological archetypes, and ideological symbols.

Dragon Slayer Dean Barrett 2007-09 The three short novels in this volume are related not simply by their milieu of Chinese culture but also by how the supernatural world - or our fears of it - can dramatically shape events in our daily lives. In Bones of the Chinamen the hellish world of the Chinese slave trade is recreated; a world of violence, cruelty and sudden death. In Dragon Slayer, an American helicopter crew is suddenly transported from 1968 Vietnam into 1857 China where they find themselves caught up in the midst of yet another war. In Golden Dragon, along the barren coast of Down East Maine, local thugs kill employees of a Chinese restaurant, and believe themselves safe from retribution; until a mysterious and beautiful Chinese woman appears.

The Magic Lotus Lantern and Other Tales from the Han Chinese Haiwang Yuan 2006 54 folktales, myths, legends, and popular tales from China.

Archetypes and Motifs in Folklore and Literature: A Handbook Jane Garry 2017-07-05 This is an authoritative presentation and discussion of the most basic thematic elements universally found in folklore and literature. The reference provides a detailed analysis of the most common archetypes or motifs found in the folklore of selected communities around the world. Each entry is written by a noted authority in the field, and includes accompanying reference citations. Entries are keyed to the Motif-Index of Folk Literature by Stith Thompson and grouped according to that Index's scheme. The reference also includes an introductory essay on the concepts of archetypes and motifs and the scholarship associated with them. This is the only book in English on motifs and themes that is completely folklore oriented, deals with motif numbers, and is tied to the Thompson Motif-Index. It includes in-depth examination of such motifs as: Bewitching; Chance and Fate; Choice of Roads; Death or Departure of the Gods; the Double; Ghosts and Other Revenants; the Hero Cycle; Journey to the Otherworld; Magic Invulnerability; Soothsayer; Transformation; Tricksters.

What Do Young Adults Read Next? Pam Spencer 1994 Contains entries for over 1,300 books aimed at young adult readers. Titles have been selected on the basis of their currency, appeal to readers, and literary merit.

Chinese Opera Peter Lovrick 2011-11-01 Chinese Opera looks at Chinese society through an exciting series of photographs of operatic performances from many regions of the country. The book introduces the reader to this unique theatrical form and tells the traditional stories that are its narrative foundation. Siu Wang-Ngai's extraordinary images, taken in natural light during performances, lovingly reveal the visual excitement of Chinese opera and point to the differences in costuming and presentation that distinguish each regional style and character type.

Wings of Fancy Joan Garner 2006 Announcing Wings of Fancy: Using Readers Theatre to Study Fantasy Genre, a new look at Readers Theatre targeted for middle grade readers (grades 4-8).

Integrating Children's Literature through the Common Core State Standards Rachel L. Wadham 2015-07-28 Implementation of the Common Core State Standards with the integration of children's literature can transform teaching and learning into a holistic and engaging experience. • Offers an easy-to-understand explanation of the CCSS • Defines and explains the CCSS three-prong approach to text complexity • Provides usable lesson and unit plans • Explains how to use children's literature as a primary tool for implementing the CCSS

The Chinese Alligator John Thorbjarnarson 2010-05-17 Illustrated throughout and featuring the most up-to-date biological information available, this volume is a complete overview of the Chinese alligator, a conservation and cultural icon.

Chinese Mythology A to Z Jeremy Roberts 2004-01-01

Chinese Religions J. Ching 2016-07-27 This is a comprehensive work on the religions of China. As such, it includes an introduction giving an overview of the subject, and the special themes treated in the book, as well as detailed chapters on ancient religions, Confucianism, Taoism, Buddhism, Chinese Islam, Christianity in China as well as popular religion. Throughout the book, care is taken to present both the philosophical teachings as well as the religious practices of the religious traditions, and reflections are offered regarding their present situation and future prospects. Comparisons are offered with other religions, especially Christianity.

Are Dragons Real? Ginjer L. Clarke 2021-05-25 Learn about the history of dragons in this photographic nonfiction leveled reader perfect for kids interested in the natural - and unnatural - world! Did you know that Marco Polo, Alexander the Great, and other explorers all described seeing dragons in their ancient travels? Or that the Komodo dragon may not breathe fire, but it has a venomous bite to help catch its prey? Even today there are still some types of dragons roaming the earth! Embracing children's delight in the mythical creatures while also imparting fascinating facts about the real ones, discover the history of these special animals and decide for yourself if you believe in dragons! With simple language and vivid photographs, Are Dragons Real? is perfect for emerging readers curious about the natural world and this legendary creature.

Folk Heroes and Heroines around the World, 2nd Edition Graham Seal 2016-03-14 This comprehensive collection of folk hero tales builds on the success of the first edition by providing readers with expanded contextual information on story characters from the Americas to Zanzibar. • Supplies entries on folk tale characters worldwide that identify related heroes and heroines and provide additional contextual information • Features a geographical organization that enables readers to research a specific region's folk

characters • Provides an alphabetical index as well as an index of heroic character types to facilitate cross-cultural and historical comparisons • Includes sidebars with passages from the folk tales, popular culture, and other items of interest

Story Listening and Experience in Early Childhood Donna Schatt 2021 This book shows connections between oral story listening and unique, enduring educational effects in and outside of the classroom. Using scientific studies and interviews, as well as personal observations from more than thirty years in schools and libraries, the authors examine learning outcomes from frequent story listening. Throughout the book, Schatt and Ryan illustrate that experiencing stories told entirely from memory transforms individuals and builds community, affecting areas such as reading comprehension, visualization, focus, flow states, empathy, attachment, and theory of mind.

Children's Books in Print 1998 Bowker Editorial Staff 1998

Storytelling Josepha Sherman 2015-03-26 Storytelling is an ancient practice known in all civilizations throughout history. Characters, tales, techniques, oral traditions, motifs, and tale types transcend individual cultures - elements and names change, but the stories are remarkably similar with each rendition, highlighting the values and concerns of the host culture. Examining the stories and the oral traditions associated with different cultures offers a unique view of practices and traditions."Storytelling: An Encyclopedia of Mythology and Folklore" brings past and present cultures of the world to life through their stories, oral traditions, and performance styles. It combines folklore and mythology, traditional arts, history, literature, and festivals to present an overview of world cultures through their liveliest and most fascinating mode of expression. This appealing resource includes specific storytelling techniques as well as retellings of stories from various cultures and traditions.

Chinese Fables Shiho S. Nunes 2013-02-12 **Winner of the 2014 Aesop Prize for Children's and Young Adult Literature** **Winner of the 2013 Gelett Burgess Children's Book Award for Fables, Folklore & Fairytales** **2014 Creative Child Magazine Book of the Year Award Winner** For thousands of years, Chinese storytellers have delighted listeners with stories about the value of virtues like honesty, respect, courage and self-reliance. Chinese Fables collects nineteen of these wonderful tales, some of them dating back to the third century BCE, and retells them in contemporary English for a modern audience. Each of these stories offers a nugget of ancient folk wisdom and shares aspects of Chinese culture and lore. All of the tales express the foibles and wisdom of human experience with great humor and affection. And although the lessons are universal, the wit and flavor are uniquely Chinese. Beautifully illustrated by a master Chinese artist using a patchwork of ancient tones and textures, with a deft touch of humor, this book will give great joy to children and adults alike. Chinese children's stories include: The Practical Bride Stealing the Bell Kwan Yin, the Goddess of Mercy Cooking the Duck Scaring the Tigers The Dragon Slayer

Reception of Northrop Frye 2021-09-23 The Reception of Northrup Frye takes a thorough accounting of the presence of Frye in existing works and argues against Frye's diminishing status as an important critical voice.

Artasidi Qa Yam-u Namtar Cedeg Ni Yuca-yin Esi Blo-bza?-tshul-khrims (Cha-har Dge-b?es) 2001 King Arthasiddhi" is an 18th century Mongolian translation of a Tibetan Buddhist novel known in Tibet also as a popular drama. Its composition goes back to Indian avadanas and jatakas. Its language differs from the "Classical" written Mongolian of the 18th-century Buddhist xylographs and shows a marked influence of the underlying Chakhar dialect.This publication offers a thorough literary-historical and linguistic analysis with the annotated transcription and facsimile of the manuscript kept in the Copenhagen Royal Library. It contributes to the knowledge of Mongolian literature and its Indo-Tibetan connections and to a better understanding of the language and style of the translator Caqar gebsi Lubsang cultim, a noted man of letters.

Chinese Christians in America Fenggang Yang 1999 Christianity has become the most practiced religion among the Chinese in America, but very little solid research exists on Chinese Christians and their churches. This book is the first to explore the subject from the inside, revealing how Chinese Christians construct and reconstruct their identity--as Christians, Americans, and Chinese--in local congregations amid the radical pluralism of the late twentieth century. Today there are more than one thousand Chinese churches in the United States, most of them Protestant evangelical congregations, bringing together diasporic Chinese from diverse origins--Taiwan, Hong Kong, mainland China, and Southeast Asian countries. Fenggang Yang finds that despite the many tensions and conflicts that exist within these congregations, most individuals find ways to creatively integrate their evangelical Christian beliefs with traditional Chinese (most Confucian) values. The church becomes a place where they can selectively assimilate into American society while simultaneously preserving Chinese values and culture. Yang brings to this study unique experience as both participant and observer. Born in mainland China, he is a sociologist who converted to Christianity after coming to the United States. The heart of this book is an ethnographic study of a representative Chinese church, located in Washington, D. C., where he became a member. Throughout the book, Yang draws upon interviews with members of this congregation while making comparisons with other churches throughout the United States. Chinese Christians in America is an important addition to the literature on the experience of new immigrant communities.

The Totally Gross History of Ancient China Jennifer Culp 2015-12-15 A unique overview of the fashion and dress, diet, hygiene, medicine, and other cultural aspects of the ancient Chinese. This entertaining yet informative book details practices that may seem peculiar to today's students, while respectfully contextualizing another culture and time, especially one as ancient, rich, and foundational as that of ancient China. Readers are drawn in by the sometimes distasteful details—the fun “gross-out” factor—but also gain an appreciation of the inventiveness, sophistication, and practicality of the ancient Chinese. Overall, this title is a lively exploration of the scientific and cultural practices of a pre-modern civilization.

Nacht van de draak Julie Kagawa 2020-04-07 Boze krachten hebben het lot van de wereld in handen...Eens in de duizend jaar, wanneer een nieuw tijdperk aanbreekt, krijgt degene die op dat moment eigenaar is van een geheimzinnige perkamentrol een geweldige kans. Hij of zij kan de grote Kami-draak aanroepen en een wens doen. Dat moment is bijna daar, en boze krachten zijn eropuit om de rol in handen te krijgen.Yumeko heeft het laatste stuk van de drakenrol opgegeven om haar vrienden te redden. Nu moeten zij en haar reisgenoten zo snel mogelijk naar de woeste kust van Iwagoto om de Meester der Demonen tegen te houden, voordat hij de kans krijgt de grote Kami-draak aan te roepen. Want hij zal een wens doen die de hele wereld in het verderf zal storten...Het wordt een race tegen de klok in het adembenemend spannende slot van de Schaduw van de vos-serie.

Chinese Fables Shiho S. Nunes 2013-02-12 An illustrated retelling of nineteen fables and tales from China, each of which features a nugget of ancient folk wisdom and introduces aspects of traditional Chinese culture and lore.

Us Vs China: From Trade War To Reciprocal Deal Pauken li Thomas Weir 2019-09-10 US vs China: From Trade War to Reciprocal Deal gives readers an up close account on the rough-and-tumble trade talks between the US and China. The book provides a neutral and balanced perspective in addressing the historical, political and cultural backgrounds that had made US-China trade wars inevitable, but also explores how the two richest and most powerful countries and long-time rivals may eventually reach a consensus to support a bilateral trade agreement for the ages.

Chinese Folktales Shiho S. Nunes 2021-10-19 For thousands of years, Chinese storytellers have delighted listeners with stories about the value of virtues like honesty, respect, courage and self-reliance. Chinese Folktales collects nineteen of these fantastic tales, some of them dating back to the third century BCE, and retells them in contemporary English for a modern audience. This updated edition—previously titled Chinese Fables—offers the same great stories in a smaller, easier to handle format at a lower price. Each of these stories offers a nugget of ancient folk wisdom and glimpses of traditional Chinese culture and lore. All of the tales express the foibles and wisdom of human experience with great humor and affection. Although the lessons are universal, the wit and flavor are uniquely Chinese. Beautifully illustrated by a master Chinese artist using a patchwork of ancient tones and textures, with a deft touch of humor, this book will give great joy to children and adults alike. Chinese children's stories include: The Practical Bride Stealing the Bell Kwan Yin, the Goddess of Mercy Cooking the Duck Scaring the Tigers The Dragon Slayer The previously published edition, Chinese Fables, won: *The Aesop Prize for Children's and Young Adult Literature* *The Gelett Burgess Children's Book Award for Fables, Folklore & Fairytales* *The Creative Child Magazine Book of the Year Award*

After Imperialism Richard R Cook 2012-04-26 Is the Church merely a Western institution? Where does Christianity fit in with Chinese identity? Does Chinese Evangelism detract from Chinese culture? This collection of essays addresses Christian Evangelism within a historical context to China's diverse character, and explores prejudices and reactions to the evangelical movement throughout China. The contributors of this volume are committed to the belief that evangelicalism continues to have the historical assets and intellectual, hermeneutical and theological, tools able to contribute to the global church.

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A History of Chinese Martial Arts Fiction Pingyuan Chen 2016-09-30 The seminal work on the evolution, aesthetics and politics of modern martial arts fiction from one of China's leading scholars.

Ancient Chinese Technology Jennifer Culp 2016-07-15 The ancient Chinese were an innovative and creative people who developed some of the inventions we still use today. From fireworks to folding umbrellas, this thought-provoking volume highlights some of the most fascinating technological developments of the time. Readers will be riveted by the engaging text, vivid photographs, and detailed explanations of the progression of technology throughout this pioneering age. The text covers ancient Chinese advances in warfare, metallurgy, porcelain, silk, paper, tea, and more. Lively text will keep readers interested and leave them eager to learn more.

The Malaysian Chinese Towards Vision 2020 Liong Sik Ling (Dato') 1995

Stories in Art Clare Gogerty 2003 Each title in this practical art series is designed to help readers enjoy and understand works of art, while encouraging them to create their own. Highly illustrated, with fact boxes and activities, the series should be suitable as an introduction to the world of art and the inspiration behind it.

More Creative Uses of Children's Literature Mary Ann Paulin 1992 To cover the immense publishing explosion of children's books, films, and other media for the 1980s, Mary Ann Pauline has created an encyclopedic set of volumes to complement and update her celebrated book, Creative Uses of Children's Literature.

Mythen & Legenden van Japan F. Hadland Davis 2022-02-08 "Mythen & Legenden van Japan" van F. Hadland Davis (vertaald door Boudewijn Casper Goudsmit). Gepubliceerd door Good Press. Good Press publiceert een ruim aanbod aan titels in alle genres. Van bekende klassiekers & literaire fictie en non-fictie tot vergeten?of nog niet-ontdekte pronkstukken?van de wereldliteratuur, wij publiceren boeken die u beslist moet lezen. Iedere Good Press editie is zorgvuldig aangepast en geformatteerd om de leesbaarheid voor alle e-lezers en apparaten te verbeteren. Ons doel is om e-books te maken die gebruiksvriendelijk en toegankelijk voor iedereen zijn in een digitaal formaat van een hoogwaardige kwaliteit.

Are Dragons Real? Portia Summers 2016-12-15 Delving deep into mythology of dragons from across the globe, this narrative text will inform readers about different cultures and present possible scientific explanations. A glossary strengthens vocabulary, while full-color images and a bright design will keep even the most reluctant readers interested. Then, readers can decide for themselves based on the evidence presented.

Accessing the Classics: Great Reads for Adults, Teens, and English Language LearnersLa Vergne Rosow 2005-12-30 Help readers improve reading skills while stimulating their appreciation and increasing their understanding of great literature. Using a scaffolding approach, this guide leads readers from simple and engaging reads to more challenging texts, and simultaneously cultivates their interest and skills. An invaluable resource for middle and high school, ABE and ESL educators, as well as for readers' advisors. All readers—even those still learning to speak English—can enjoy the delights and benefits of great literature with the help of this motivational and practical book guide. Rosow takes you on a journey through the history of Western literature, beginning

with ancient myths and moving to medieval tales and classics of the Renaissance, Romantic Movement, and Modernism. Along the way, she shows you how to give readers easy access to some of the best literature of all time. Scores of collections focus on such ancient and enduring stories as Gilgamesh, Beowulf, the tales of Chaucer; historical masterpieces of William Shakespeare, Jane Austen, Edgar Allan Poe, Charles Dickens; and stellar names of more recent times, such as Virginia Woolf, John Steinbeck, Ernest Hemingway, and J.R.R. Tolkien. Each carefully selected collection lists an assortment of titles, ranging in reading level and arranged progressively from simple renditions, such as picture book re-tellings, through more advanced selections and readings where audio versions and simpler formatting support the reader, and on to the most challenging reads. Author profiles and narrative, as well as detailed descriptions of each title provide further insights into the story lines and features of the books; while building a scaffold of reading experience and knowledge to help readers better understand the texts. For example, the Mark Twain collection begins with a brief biographical sketch of the author, followed by descriptions of two illustrated books about the author and two readers' theatre skits based on his work. A collection of Twain's short stories is recommended next, and then several illustrated versions of his novels, and an illustrated edition of Twain's memoir, *Life on the Mississippi*, which is supported by an audiotape version. Each recommended title is rated as start here, next read, support here, or challenging read; and related reads, and audio and video versions are listed when appropriate. The author also notes author and student favorites, titles with exceptional illustrations, and other features of interest. Focus is on authors and titles of the Western canon that are generally available in library collections. Because some of the titles cited are older editions, this is a valuable collection development tool in libraries; as well as an essential resource for readers' advisors, Adult Basic Education, and English as Second Language educators, and young adult educators and librarians. Young adult and adult or Grades 9 and up.