

Fiction

Group 1



The Monkey King's Adventure

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The story happened amongst the Monkey King, Pigsy and two soldiers.

Once upon a time there were two soldiers. They and Pigsy lived near a mountain. Pigsy wanted to go inside the mountain. But the two soldiers didn't let him go inside the mountain. The soldiers asked the fairy to tell Pigsy raised troops to fight and asked why they didn't let him go inside. The soldiers fought with Pigsy. The Monkey King saw this and tried to stop them. The fairy was bad and she used magic to make a mountain press down the Monkey's body. The Monkey King asking Mountain God and the Land to help him The Monkey King told the Land that the fairy and soldiers were not good people anymore. The Land had a good idea. They also used magic and the Monkey King became an old fairy. They met Demon in front of the mountain. Demon thought the old fairy looked unusual. Then they followed the old fairy and continued their journey.

Another beloved story is Iran Fan Princess. The Monkey King and Pigsy went to western heaven. On the way, they began to feel hotter and hotter. It was very strange because it was autumn, They knew they needed a big fan to overcome the hot weather. They asked the Princess to borrow the hot weather. They asked the Princess rejected and blew the Monkey King very far away. The Monkey King came back and tried again. This time the Princess ate the Monkey King into the stomach. The Monkey King was very naughty. It jumped and jumped and made the Princess' tummy very pain. Then the Princess changed her mind and let the Monkey King use the fan to blow away the hot weather. They continued their journey to the west.

Winning the Diamond

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For the sake of the safety of the monkeys, WuKong decided to teach them martial arts. WuKong did a lot of wood knives, taught pendants to practise martial arts every day. One Day, Goku grumpily asked all the monkeys. "I do not have a well-intended weapon, what can I do?" The old monkey said. "The king, the East China Sea Dragon King has a good weapon!" Goku came to the East China Sea, separated by the water joyfully go to the East China Sea Dragon King, Goku came to the Crystal Palace and met the Dragon King and said, "I was very brave. Recently I lack the weapon of interest so I can borrow it from you." Old Dragon King embarrassed shirk, so he called his men to take a long pole knife. Goku does not like it and waved his hand and said, "I will not use a knife. Please change something. Dragon King and his men for a heavy weight of 7200kg day painted halberds. Goku picked up the halberd, measured a quantity, said with a smile, "too light, not easy." Dragon King is very embarrassed. At this time, the dragon girl and LongPo secretly said to the Dragon King, "God will never take any action in that sea. Dragon King think their words are rational. They took the Wukong to the possession of the sea, but at all iron pillars releasing ten thousand gold. Goku felt God's iron and said: "I can be thinner than a short point just fine." Just finished then even become thinning iron pillar shorter. Wukong mention iron bars, I feel very satisfied, see also read wish diamonds, weighing 13,500 pounds. Goku was very happy waving the diamond stick in the Crystal Palace. Confused Basilica scared old Dragon King away.

Skylina and the Rainbow

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At the hospital a baby was born. It was no ordinary baby. That baby was magical. It was named Skylina. And even more amazing, she could talk, walk, and read by herself. One day when Skylina was three years old she saw a rainbow and she decided that when her parents weren't looking she would travel to the end of the rainbow. She started packing right away. This is what she packed: 3 blankets, a pillow and a bottle of water. When the time finally came she ran away into the woods. She ran and ran until she was 100 miles away from her home and then she felt too tired. Skylina made a tent out of sticks, that were about the same height, and one of the blankets she brought. Just before bedtime she met a spider friend named Ava who wanted to join Skylina's adventure.

In the middle of the night, a strong gust of wind blew Skylina's tent down. Skylina and Ava woke up. Skylina helped Ava get up then they built the tent again. And Ava used her strongest web to tie the tent together. In the morning they walked a long way until lunchtime. Skylina picked some wild berries for lunch.

Then they started walking and suddenly the trees started falling. Skylina realized they were in the falling forest. Skylina clutched Ava as she ran through the falling forest at the end of the forest there was a cave. At the mouth of the cave there was a sign that read MONSTER CAVE DO NOT ENTER! It was the only way to get to the other side. Skylina was really scared but she had to do it. They tiptoed into the cave. Halfway through the cave they heard stomping. Skylina saw there were monsters! When Skylina and a monster were close enough to touch something amazing happened the monster turned into a boy named Billy. Billy explained that he was turned into a monster by a wicked witch and the way to break the spell was if a human came close enough to touch.

Skylina asked Billy if he would like to join her adventure and Billy said yes. They walked through the cave but they kept tripping on skeletons. After a thousand more trips they saw a clearing. It was the end of the rainbow. There was nothing but a gigantic house that Skylina and her friends decided to live in. Then Skylina heard some sobbing. Inside the cave there was a little girl. "What's the matter?", asked Skylina. "I was going for a hike with my mom and dad but I lost them." came a faint reply. "What's your name?" "Leah." replied the girl. "Oh my name is Skylina. Do you want to live in the house outside of the cave with me and my friends?" asked Skylina. "Sure!" Leah replied.

And from then on Skylina and her friends lived there their whole life.

The Fliparanzees

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In a faraway land, lived some strange birds. They were called the Fliparanzees. The Fliparanzees were called fliparanzees because they flip. But one couldn't even do a cartwheel. He just got his head stuck in a bucket. His name was Chip. He was mocked and laughed at. He listened to the squawks of the other birds until he couldn't bear it.

One day he decided to leave the tribe. As Chip was crossing the Savannah, he found Elephant.

"What's wrong?" he asked. Chip explained.

"We'd better go and see Giraffe."

Giraffe mumbled, "Dear Ellie, what brings you here?"

The two explained.

"We'd better go and see Crocodile," said the giraffe.

They padded to the river and there lay Crocodile basking in the sun.

"Go away!" he snapped.

They kept on travelling until they found a lion. So they explained their problem.

"Hmm," thought the lion. Suddenly a little spark appeared in his eye and he started dancing around like a firework.

"What is it sir?" said the elephant quickly.

"Well, there's always the circus," he said thoughtfully.

The lion talked to him about what a circus was and how to get there.

"Let's go!" he cried. They set off down the dusty lane..

"How much longer?" groaned the giraffe.

"There it is!" said Chip joyfully.

"This is disgraceful!" muttered the Crocodile. "What I think we should do," he continued more loudly, "is throw a bomb on the big tent!"

"No!" said Chip.

Crocodile sulked silently. Elephant's jaw dropped. A circus performer stopped in her tracks and swept her gaze over the animals. Up the hill Chip said "there we are, somebody's noticed us." He skipped down the hill and fell into a puddle of foggy rainwater.

The acrobat sneakily slipped to the front of the line to talk to the ringmaster who called the security.

"Chase these animals away!" he shouted.

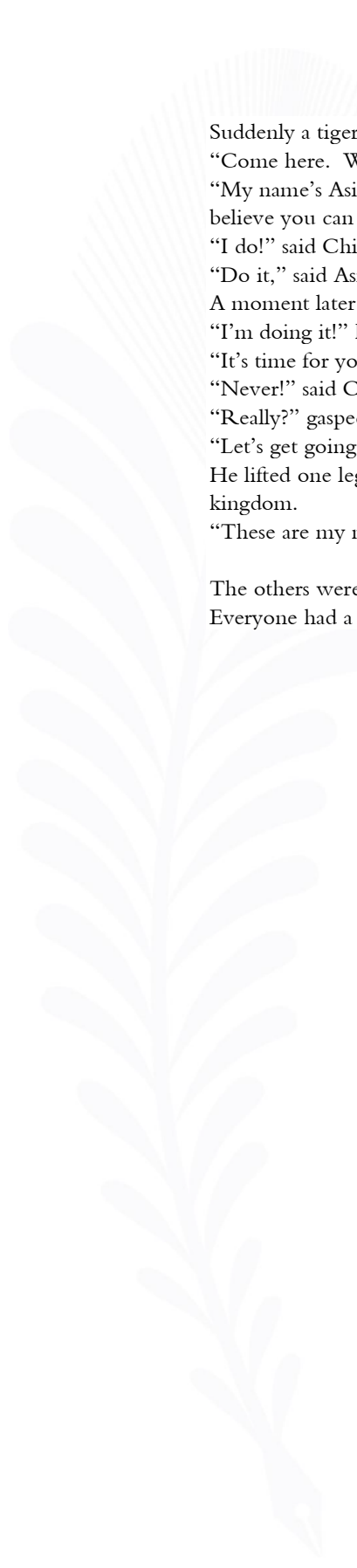
The animals could hear what was going on.

"They're not so nice," thought Chip..

"RUN!", screeched Chip.

They hid behind the undergrowth.

"We can't stay here or they'll find us," said Giraffe.



Suddenly a tiger appeared.

“Come here. What are you doing near that circus?” she said. They told their story again.

“My name’s Asia. About your problem,” said Asia, “you can do anything if you believe you can. Do you believe you can flip?” asked Asia

“I do!” said Chip eagerly.

“Do it,” said Asia.

A moment later Chip was twisting through the air.

“I’m doing it!” he cried.

“It’s time for you to go home,” said Asia calmly.

“Never!” said Chip. “I’m bringing you all with me.”

“Really?” gasped Asia.

“Let’s get going then.” said Chip.

He lifted one leg up and said “Grab on!” They flew through the air and landed in the centre of the kingdom.

“These are my new friends,” he said, “I can flip!” he announced proudly

The others were really happy about this. “My friends helped me learn so I let them live in the kingdom.”
Everyone had a new happy life.

New Journeys to the West...of Dreamtopia

Creative Primary School, De'eb, Isabella – 8

Just how Xuanzang travelled to the West in search of enlightenment, I make similar journeys when I fall asleep every night. My journey takes me through a Dreamgate, to a faraway land called Dreamtopia. There is a magical book in Dreamtopia that can solve every sadness in our world. This book is protected by Angelena, the Princess of Light. Angelena also controls the Dreamgate which locks all the bad and evil out of Dreamtopia. Only those pure of heart can travel through it. As I start to dream, hundreds of little dream fairies carry me to the Dreamgate. When I reach it, Kiera the Queen of Fairies touches my cheek and lets me enter as I carry with me a pure heart. It was during one of these visits that I met the legendary Furious Five who are the defenders of Dreamtopia. They are Quattro the Four-Eyed Raven, Flamo the Fire Monkey, Piggy the Fattest Wing-blowing Pig, Zappi the Lightening Chick and Flexi, the Most Stretchable Snake in the West. The Furious Five told me that there was one person who holds the power to destroy the Dreamgate and capable of capturing the magical book, Devilena the Witch of Nightmares. She was not able to enter Dreamtopia as she carried with her an impure heart. This made her angry, jealous and lonely. However, Devilena discovered that if she stopped the children from visiting Dreamtopia, she could stop Angelena's power, destroy the Dreamgate and capture the magical book. With a plan in mind, Devilena created a huge storm cloud around the Dreamgate so that the fairies got lost when carrying the children to Dreamtopia. She then created a tornado that sucked in Kiera and all her fairies. Quattro could see with his super four-eyes what Devilena was doing and told the other members of the Furious Five to travel to the Dreamgate to protect Dreamtopia. Quattro called on the power and goodness of cooperation to defeat Devilena. First, Piggy had to suck in as much air as he could and then blow back against the tornado with all his might until he could stop it from turning. Next, Flexi stretched and stretched to catch Kiera and all the fairies before they fell. Once the fairies were safe, Flamo and Zappi attacked the storm cloud. Every time Devilena tried to retaliate, Zappi zapped her with his lightening bolt. Meanwhile, Flamo created a massive fire which Piggy then blew into the storm clouds to burn them up. Eventually all the storm clouds disappeared and Dreamtopia was saved! Angelina's heart was restored and with it, the Dreamgate. Rather than banishing Devilena forever, Angelena made the next mission of the Furious Five to find Devilena and to see if they could convince her to return to Dreamtopia with a pure heart . . .

but that is another story for another day.

Journey to the North West

Creative Primary School, Wong, Jasmine – 6

One day, John was reading his favourite magazine *Discovery Box* in his room. He spotted a feature about snow disappearing in Alaska. Suddenly, mum's voice came from the living room.

"Where shall we go for our next skiing trip?" she asked.

Now his pet Sniffy the bug and Creamy the rabbit were moving in agitation. It seemed they could read John's mind.

Suddenly, a gust of wind was blown from the window and it flipped the pages of the magazine. John felt dizzy.

Soon he found himself flitting in the air and finally landing on soft ground. There was an unusual creature with long wings, grinning at him.

"Where am I?" John said puzzledly.

"Alaska, little boy!" said the creature.

"Why am I here? And who are you?" I replied.

"My name is Flipper. You did travel all the way from Hong Kong to crack the mystery of snow disappearing in Alaska, right?"

"But how did you get me here?"

"I flipped and folded space! Haha!" replied Flipper as he shrugged his pair of wings.

John feeling amazed realised he was on a big plate of snow, surrounded by icy water. Creamy and Sniffy were also lying there. They looked sick. John felt Alaska was not as cold as he thought.

"It is global warming." Flipper said calmly.

John now understood why the glacier was full of rivers.

His eye, however, was attracted by a huge waterfall behind which a muffled sound was heard.

"Slurp! Slurp!"

John walked closer and was shocked to find a giant black lump of smoke which projected the slurping sound. This thing was licking and melting the snow!

"Stop it!" John shouted.

The smoky monster turned his clumsy head towards John.

"I can't help it! When I feel lonely, I lick my lolly-snow. It is my comfort food."

"I see. Where are your parents?"

"I was born here. People called me Toxin. My body is made of carbon dioxide and although I am growing bigger and bigger it is always only me here...Do you know where my parents are?" as he spoke his smoky eyes turned misty.

John was speechless, because he knew human gave birth to Toxin.

"Can you help me find my parents?" Toxin begged.

"We...can be your friends." John muttered.

Due to John's warm heart, a giant tear dropped from Toxin's eyes. To everyone's surprise, the teardrop expelled some carbon dioxide. Now Toxin was crying like a baby – his body was almost diffused.

"Bye-bye, Toxin!" John waved his hands, feeling sorry to this man-made evil and so many other Toxins that lived on earth. Creamy and Sniffy gasped for air with tears filling their eyes.

The snow fell and got heavier. Then, a blizzard lifted them from the snow land. In the midst of Flipper's laughter, they were back to John's room. A chilling wind fluttered the curtain. John smiled. That evening, John licked ice-cream with mum, dad and his beloved pets, thinking of Toxin and his next ski holiday.

Stardust's Magical Adventure with Team to the West

Creative Primary School, Wong, Yandy – 7

I am Stardust. I am seven years old. I am an enchantress. I love cheesy pizza, Chinese magic, sparkles and sequins. But most of all, I love reading *Journey to the West*! I love Sun Wukong the best, and I admire him! I love his Chinese magic, especially his 72 transformations and his magic that can freeze anyone and more!

Last night at 8:30pm, Mom said, “Time for bed, Stardust! Tomorrow is your exam.” “Okay” I replied, immediately hiding the book *Journey to the West* under my quilt. “The exam is so hard!” I sighed. “I hate memorizing those lengthy and boring old spells. I wish to go with Sun Wukong to India and get the scriptures.” Suddenly, a gust of wind blew, and I shrank smaller and smaller until I was the size of a fairy! And the book? It became bigger and bigger, so big I thought it was a skyscraper. I found a note on the book cover that said, “STEP INTO THE BOOK”. So, I carefully stepped in. Amazingly, a beautiful rainbow door appeared. I opened it and stepped inside. I saw nothing but a shimmering light. I gasped. I had never seen anything like it before! Suddenly, a bubble wrapped me up and I floated in mid-air until I landed on some soft grass. Then the bubble popped. I hid behind some bushes and peeked out. I was extremely surprised. I saw Sun Wukong, Pigsy, Sha Woxiang and the Jade Emperor battling a demon. What? The demon was Ice Frosty! He was the villain of my favorite comic!!! He loved hamburgers as much as I desired cheesy pizza. He caught Xuanzang in one hand and he shot ice at his enemies with the other. I bet Ice Frosty wanted to make hamburgers with the flesh of Xuanzang to gain immortality. Suddenly, I came up of a plan to defeat Ice Frosty. I conjured up numerous spicy kimchi hamburgers and hurled them towards Ice Frosty. He immediately let go of Xuanzang and was busy grasping and gulping down the hamburgers. Expectedly, he began to melt because the hamburgers were unbearably spicy and hot. The Jade Emperor said, “Holy Monk, please let this girl be your fourth disciple. She is fearless, tactical and has strong magical powers. She could help on your long, dangerous journey to Vulture Peak to attain the scriptures.” Xuanzang said, “Maybe”. So, I followed Xuanzang and his disciples on the journey.

On the way, many other demons wanted to eat the flesh of Xuanzang and we encountered abundant of difficulties. But we never gave up, and with teamwork, we defeated them. Suddenly, I remembered about my exam. I learned that I should also never ever give up. I told Sun Wukong, “I want to go back home for my exam. I must be responsible.” “Easy peasy!” he replied. Then, with a snap of his fingers, the rainbow door reappeared. I stepped in and the wind whisked me back to my warm, comfy bed.

New Journeys to the West

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On 2nd March 2017, a very powerful monkey was born. He didn't know that he was going to be one of the most powerful creatures in the world.

Nobody knew where and how he was formed. He'd burst from a rock. Pieces flew everywhere and it was a truly magical scene.

The monkey was called Sun Wukong. He was smart, strong and performed magic.

One day, Sun Wukong was walking in the woods where he met a monk called Xuanzang, who was going to India.

When Sun Wukong asked if he could go with him, Xuanzang was surprised but agreed immediately.

While they were walking, they saw a rather small but crowded market. Their walking became slower as they went into the market.

After a while, they met a friar and a talking pig. The friar and the pig asked if they could join them to go to India. Xuanzang agreed and they came along.

After they left the market, they started to climb a mountain. At the top of the mountain there was a cave where a monster lived. The monster knew that somebody was coming, so he was ready to attack. He came out of the cave. When the group saw him, they screamed. Sun Wukong suddenly felt a surge of power and used his bare hands to kill him.

Everybody gathered around him and cheered.

Not long after that, they came to a lake. There were legends about that lake. There was a sea monster called Drools. The group didn't believe that but suddenly, the ground began to shake and tremble. A red and yellow creature came out and yes, it was Drools.

As quick as lightning, Sun Wukong was ready again, this time with the pig beside him.

They soon forced Drools into the water again. The group crossed a wobbly bridge and began to eat some fruit.

When they were happy and full, the group continued their journey. They entered a dark, gloomy forest. The forest was really cold.

Almost at once, the trees began to shake. Then they turned into bright purple creatures.

All at once, Sun Wukong was surrounded by big, purple creatures. He used all his strength to fight off those giant monsters. One thing was clear; the travellers had to get out fast. This time, the pig came to the rescue. He jumped up and killed the biggest monster. The others disappeared in a puff of smoke.

Everybody sighed in relief. They all thanked the pig, who was hungry again.

They began to walk towards a desert. When they were in, they looked around. There was no sign of danger here.

They continued walking. A puff of wind blew towards them.

Suddenly, they felt very hungry and thirsty. They needed food and water or they would die. They had no strength to head back.

Sun Wukong then thought of something. He could talk and he was a monkey. Monkeys were not supposed to talk, so he could perform magic. Then with a lift of his hand, they were in India.

New Journeys to the West

Dulwich College Beijing, Hua, Jessica – 8

Once upon a time, there was a monkey who was born in a sea rock. When he was 18 years old, he wanted to travel from Egypt to Canada because his friend was sick. His family told him there was a special medicine in Canada. He wanted his friend to get better and he had always wanted to go on a journey.

However, the monkey had a problem which was nobody could go with him. If he were in danger, maybe he would die since in lots of places there were monsters everywhere. If he had someone to help him, maybe he would not die from the scary monsters and he would have a safe journey to the west.

The monkey wanted to cure his friend even if he was going to meet very scary sea monsters on the journey! Because he was born in the sea he thought the sea monster would not eat him. Sometimes people thought he was silly since nobody came back alive. They were all be eaten by monsters. The medicine was called the potion of Giza and all the sick people wanted to drink the potion. Now he had two monkeys to help him, one was called Jason and the other was called Tiger.

It was the first time that he traveled far, and he was a bit nervous, but he still kept going no matter how dangerous it was going to be. When he was on the way to Canada, he met some snakes, the queen of Egypt and the pyramid.

Now he was in Canada and he saw a polar bear with her family, a North America reindeer, a walrus on the coast and the famous Canadian Capilano Suspension bridge.

The walrus nearly ate them because they were disturbing the walrus. His family members told them the medicine was on the Canada Capilano Suspension bridge but no one could find it. He wanted to just try but even he could not find it. Now he was on the bridge, and he felt a little bit scared. He was very brave, so he got to the other end and he saw lots and many treasure boxes! At the end of the road, he saw a very, very big treasure box, but he did not have the key, so he used an axe to chop down a tree and chop the key shape. And he did it, inside there was a bowl of medicine. When he came back, his friend drank the medicine and he got better. He and his friend lived happily ever after.

New Journeys to the West

Dulwich College Beijing, Li, Yuyai – 7

Once there was a girl called Emma. Her Mum and Dad had died. Emma was an orphan. She was 10 years old. She was born in 1000 and her Ayi had bought her up. She wanted to visit India because her Dad and Mum died there. They went to India 8 years ago and visited a secret building. They met a ginormous giant there and unfortunately, the giant ate them.

Emma decided to go to India by aeroplane. She saw a frightful person with magical gloves in the aeroplane. She knew his gloves were magical because she saw the person put on his gloves and turn the rice to chips.

Emma sat behind him. She thought he was the person who cursed the secret building. The aeroplane landed. She followed the frightful person.

Luckily Emma found the building. She saw her Mum and Dad's skeleton. But a giant was hiding behind a pillar near by the skeleton. Emma had to hide behind a bigger pillar. Emma found that the giant seemed to be asleep. When she wanted to go there she saw the frightful person with magical gloves again. He was putting liquid medicine on the giant. The giant woke up.

Emma was frightened. She moved her feet carefully. Suddenly Emma fell down a hole. Emma met a boy called Andrew there. Andrew said his parents had been eaten by the giant too. Andrew and Emma found a step then Emma said "Let's get on the step." They went on the step and found a treasure box. They opened it and found a magic clock marked "Can change time". They turned it to 1002 because their parents all died in that year. But they couldn't still stay in India in 1002.

Suddenly they saw a "MAGIC EDDY". There was a mark "take you to any places if you say where you want to go." They took the teleoperator on but they forgot to say which place they wanted to go, then they landed on a mountain. A friendly person told them it was 199 kilometers away from the secret building. They had to take the hole teleoperator on again and the eddy opened. They said "secret building". Then, they landed on the top of the building. And they jumped into the window, finally they got their family skeleton.

When they wanted to leave, a numen appeared. "I'd like give you two machines that can bring your Dad and Mum back to life because you are so brave." They thanked the numen and took the machines. The numen took them back to their home with magic. They put the skeleton into the machine that could revive their Dad and Mum.

So they asked their Ayi happily "Can we play with each other in the park?" And they all said "yes".

New Journeys to the West

Dulwich College Beijing, Young, Aaron – 7

Once upon a time, there lived a young monk called Xuan Zang. One day a god called Jade told Xuan Zang there were many magic monks in Egypt but Jade warned Xuan Zang there were many monsters on the way so Xuan Zang first needed to find his three gods.

First, Xuan Zang got to a river. There was a sign and it said: IF YOUR NAME IS XUAN ZANG, PLEASE THROW A STONE TO TELL ME! When Xuan Zang saw this, he gasped. “What will happen when I throw a stone?” Xuan Zang thought. “Will the mysterious people catch me?”

Xuan Zang threw a stone in. Suddenly, a tiger jumped into the sky and landed in front of Xuan Zang and bended his knees. The tiger said, “your majesty, I am the tiger king. God Jade has told me to help you. He said you were going to Egypt, is that right?”

“Y...y...yes” Xuan Zang said frightenedly. “The next place we are going to is the Afghan cave.”

“Jade said there is a monster inside the cave that is your apprentice.”

“What!” Xuan Zang gasped. “A monster that is my apprentice?”

“Yes!” replied the tiger king. They went to the Afghan cave but the monster hit Xuan Zang!

“Are you ok? Your majesty.”

“Ye...e...es.” replied Xuan Zang.

“Don’t worry I’ll fight with the monster.”

The monster heard it. He didn’t want to fight with the tiger king so he hid in his cave and closed the door. The tiger king kicked the door open and fought with him again. At last, the monster surrendered, and the tiger king took him to Xuan Zang. When the monster saw Xuan Zang, he quickly bended his knees and said, “your majesty, I am the monster God. God Jade said you need three gods to help you to go to Egypt. I’m the second one. Did you find the first one?”

“I’m here!” snapped the tiger king.

“Oh so you found the tiger king. Right?”

“Y...y...e...e...s!” Said Xuan Zang.

They saw a small village and they went in. “I heard someone crying,” said the tiger king. They went in one house and saw people crying.

When the people saw Xuan Zang, they said “thanks to God! You did come!”

“What?” asked Xuan Zang.

“I’ll tell you this horrible story” a man said. “We always celebrate our gods and goddesses tonight but last year, a monster come out of the sea and destroyed one part of our village!”

“Don’t worry. We will stop this.”

In the night the tiger king and the invisible god killed all the monsters and they were never seen again.

Xuan Zang went to Egypt and he learned how to do magic. The tiger king is called the first god. The monster god is called the second god and the invisible god is called the third god.

New Journeys to the West

Dulwich College Beijing, Zhou, Amy – 7

“Alex, Annie, what are you doing?” asked Mrs. Tate. She was always cross with anything they did.
“Oh mum, we are just fin... No! We are just playing games.”
“Well, you can’t play anymore, you have to come down and eat breakfast!”
“But”, cried Alex “we um... lost... the emeralds!”
“What?” shouted Mrs. Tate, “THEY COST HUNDREDS!”
“So?” said Alex quietly.
“So we have to find them!” whispered Annie. “Tate’s emeralds cost lots!”

She was ten years old, and knew better than her younger brother, who was still four years old. Sometimes Mrs. Tate lets her to help and dig more fresher to sell. One day a bigger came to their house and told them he wants to stay, and he gave them two emeralds as beautiful as the sun for their kindness. But now they had lost them. They felt sorry for him but they couldn’t find them. “So... what do we now?”
“Of course find them” snapped Mrs. Tate. So they quickly changed their clothes, ran to the breakfast table, gobbled up their breakfast and ran outside.
“Hey Annie, I saw a stair case!” cried Alex, “let’s go up!”
“No, that is a stair case, but look, it’s made of cloud!” Surely, it was a staircase made of cloud.
“Come on, let’s go up!”
“I’m excited!” Alex cried. “Oh yes, we must go up, It must be for us!” His sister followed. She raced her brother up the staircase, it was fun! At first, the staircase did not end, but then, they were just about to give up hope... bang! They fell down onto the long, green grass.

Suddenly, they saw someone walking towards them, it was Emma, Annie’s best friend, and she told them some really bad news. “Alex, Annie, I’m so glad that you were here, Ben Pickle has stolen the magic emeralds!”
“Magic emeralds?” asked Alex, “they are not magic!”
“Oh yes, they are, they can grant their owner ten wishes!”
“Oh,” said Alex “what about Annie?”
“She’s lucky, she still has ten wishes.” So they set off to the west. They all knew Ben Pickle was a thief. A thief in Annie’s class. He always stole things that belonged to other children. They ran to Ben’s house, they were surprised that he was not home. But, they saw footsteps leading out the door. There were his! They followed the footsteps to a big rock. Ben was not there. They followed the footsteps to a river. Ben was not there. They followed... they came to a forest, and there he was at the end of the forest! When he saw them he pulled out a sword. It glittered in the moon light. A handsome horse ran up to him. He galloped towards them. What could they do? Suddenly, Alex had a plan, he told them his plan. Alex and Emma ran around Ben. Annie ran to get the emeralds. They set off home happily!

The New Journey to the West

Hong Kong Baptist University Affiliated Secondary and Primary School, Chan, Rachel – 8

After Monkey King departed the Monkey Cave, he found Tripitaka, the Sage. Soon Monkey King found out that a demon called Black Shadow really wanted to have Tripitaka as a slave because she heard Tripitaka was very wise and humble.

So after many days together they met Pigsy and Sandy. After journeying for a week and six tired nights they found the home of Black Shadow – a cave. Tripitaka and his crew moved forward quickly but carefully, so Shadow would not hear them. At the moment Shadow was coming down the stone steps, disguised as a young and blonde maiden carrying a wicker basket filled with bows, satin bows, ribbons, silk and thread. She approached Tripitaka and sweetly gushed “Presents for you, master, from my mother, Susan. Hope you like it!” Tripitaka held out his hands but Monkey King, sensing danger, pushed the girl down and herded everyone miles away from the huge disaster.

Not long after, Shadow had another plan. She snipped some of her hair and turned it into a bunch of forget-me-not blue flowers. She found Tripitaka with her magic map and flew there. She sprinted swiftly to him and shook the poisoned bluebells under his nose. But Monkey King, with his amazing eyes saw poison in the flowers. In a flash, he brought them far away.

No, Shadow wouldn’t give up that easily. She grumpily glided back to her trusty Servant One and Two. They are ghosts and they served Shadow. Servant One handed her a goblet of potion loyally. Black Shadow grinned an evil grin and thanked her helpers. She downs the smoking liquid in one swallow. Then, she goes down to the grounds, where she sees Tripitaka and his “Evil gang”. She gritted her teeth and muttered “This is my chance.” and mounted forward. She suddenly hesitates. Then she beckons to Servant One and Two. After telling them, she reared on her back and turns into an old injured and tired woman and limps forward. Pigsy saw her and lifted her onto Tripitaka’s horse. Shadow / old woman feels her gashes, rashes, wounds, and hollow skin being mopped, soaked, and tended to with water when Tripitaka screamed “AAHHHH!” She also saw Servant One and Two closing upon them. She tried to calm down, but everyone had already departed panic-stricken. She opened one eye and screamed at Servant One and Two until she changed back into herself and spotted revenge. What happened next was not quite as planned. Just as she went back to her cave, from nowhere came Monkey King who dragged her down to the ground.

It was easy, very easy to say that Tripitaka, Pigsy, Sandy and Monkey King were all very fed up with Black Shadow’s keep continuing attacks over and over again. Well, whatever Shadow’s thought endings were, it wasn’t this. Firstly, Monkey King jumped “SMACK” in Shadow’s face. With one easy tug, he pulled her out of her bedroom. Then, after they landed, Tripitaka strode angrily and said “So this is the young lady?” Monkey King nodded stubbornly. Muttering darkly, Tripitaka bound Servant One and Two who were hovering nearby. Monkey King unbelievably, from his hands flew a beam of light. Shadow got the full blast and screamed. BAM! She was blinded. Sandy applauded, but Tripitaka stopped him, and, with a flying leap, Monkey King landed on Servant One and Two.

Then, Tripitaka and Sandy tied Black Shadow hands and feet together with rope. Then, they heaved her in. “Mission accomplished!” Monkey King yelled as they hi-fived.

Lastly, they thought it was time to go. They had a feast together and exchanged presents. Monkey King gave Tripitaka a book about fighting demons, with a “Here you are, Master.” Tripitaka also gave Monkey King a book about sages. It was hard to, but finally they bid each other farewell.

New Journeys to the West

Kennedy School, Cai, Henry – 8

The moon is dark and not bright anymore. Everyone in the city is worried. When they look up into the sky, the moon is dim. People bump into each other at night. They cannot travel to anywhere in the dark and the world is completely dark. They want to know why the moon is dim.

Thus, they come to find the cleverest man, Xuanzang, since he has studied the precious scriptures from India. Xuanzang gathers the mischievous Monkey King, the Friar, and the Talking Pig. They travelled to the moon the find out the problem with the Monkey King's flying cloud.

As fast as a lightning, they are on the moon. They ask the wise man on the moon what is happening. The wise man tells them that the world is not a loving world anymore and the moon relies on the love in people to glow. As people is getting apart from each other, the moon is running out of power.

When they come back from the journey to the moon, Xuanzang and his friends start to love each other first and teach the people on earth about love. Days by days, people noticed that the world needs to be filled with love. Everyone starts to care about people around them – say hello when they meet each other, care for the people in need, help whenever they can.

And, the moon is bright again. However, this time is not because of Xuanzang and his friends, or the magical power of the Monkey King, but the love from everyone in the world.

Mythical Dragons to the West

Kingston International School, Doo, Damian – 7

A long time ago in a lost island far, far away... there was a castle of mythical dragons and a castle of vampires. The vampire queen wanted to take over the dragon's castle. She made a big monster, Golem, to attack the castle. The dragons could not defeat Golem. The dragon king, Vulcan, and the dragon queen, Kepri, phoned Guan Yin, "Our kingdom is in trouble and we need help!" The Goddess of Mercy said, "Go to the West for help. Practice kindness in the journey."

Dragon king and queen travelled west along a river for weeks. One day Kepri saw a jellyfish. The water pushed it to the shore and it was dying. Vulcan cried, "Don't touch it!" because mythical dragons were weak against jellyfishes. But it was too late. Kepri helped the jellyfish by putting it back to the river. And then she fainted! The dragon king decided to bring the queen to the sky palace to see Yu Huang Da Di. The Jade Emperor said, "It is very brave and kind for the dragon queen to save the jellyfish knowing that she will be sick afterwards. For her courage and kindness, I will help her." The Emperor gave Kepri medicine.

The dragons flew back to the land. Kepri woke up after taking the medicine and she felt more powerful than before. She could fly for hundreds of miles and back rapidly like lightning! Vulcan was shocked, "The medicine gave you new power!"

The dragons arrived at a volcano. It was scorching hot and they were exhausted. As they laid down for a rest, the ground began to shake and the volcano erupted! Kepri saw two school buses full of children and the lava and smoke were getting close to them! The queen screamed, "We have to save them!" "Be careful—" but Kepri already zoomed into the smoke before Vulcan finished his words. Kepri, with her super speed, got all the children two miles away from the burning lava. Vulcan produced two fireballs with eyes and they turned into two little fire dragons. The dragon king told the little fire dragons to eat as much lava as possible! The children cheered for the dragons.

At last they were in the West. There was a huge building with jewels and paintings (the dragons had to be careful not to break things). Ru Lai was there to greet them, "I have been watching your journey. You have been kind and have helped many lives. For your kindness, I give you this." Ru Lai gave the dragons a magical door. "Thank you!" said the dragons, "but how do we use it?" "Put it in front of your castle and let Golem come in. The big monster will be trapped."

The dragons went back to the castle and used the magic door to trap Golem. The war ended. "Let's celebrate!" said everyone.

The dragon's stories and acts of kindness were told to other animals, including humans and they all learned from it.

New Journey to the West

Kingston International School, Fung, Derek – 5

Once upon a time, there was a Christmas tree. When the sun was rising, it cracked open. Sun Wu Kong the monkey came out of the Christmas tree. He met the other monkeys. Sun Wu Kong made a huge treehouse for the monkeys. The other monkeys said, "You are the monkey king, Sun Wu Kong!"

A reindeer called Gund came to visit Sun Wu Kong. He gave Sun Wu Kong a golden crown, a rainbow-coloured stick and magic powers. But Sun Wu Kong became very rude. Gund said, "Give me back the golden crown, the rainbow-coloured stick and the magic!" Sun Wu Kong said, "I will not give them back!" And he flew away!

Sun Wu Kong flew home but there were no trees, no monkeys and no treehouse. He was miserable.

He flew back to Gund. "The trees, the monkeys and the treehouse disappeared. Can you help me to get them back?" cried Sun Wu Kong. Gund said, "Yes, but you have to be nice. Go to the West to find the magic book. When you read the right page, you will find the monkeys, the trees and the treehouse."

Blue Bear, White Bear and Brown Bear went to help Sun Wu Kong find the way. A dragon reminded the Monkey King, "If you are nice, the world will be right."

Sun Wu Kong, Blue Bear, White Bear and Brown Bear walked to the forest. They saw a huge puff of smoke. Blue Bear said, "That should be the monster that cut down the woods!" They saw sharp claws, horns and a red eye.

Blue Bear made his muscles bigger and stronger. The monster was so scared. "Follow me to the West!" shouted Blue Bear. His friends and the crying monster followed him.

They walked for 20 miles to a beach. They saw lots of rubbish in the sea and on the beach. A turtle was stuck in the rubbish. The crying monster used its claws to lift the rubbish. The turtle went to swim.

Then they saw two vertical eyes and a soft hand. It was another monster throwing rubbish around. "Sorry, I was just doing something bad" said the sea monster. "Follow me to the West!" shouted Blue Bear.

They walked and walked to the Arctic. They saw another monster. It was a dark monster. It melted the ice. Sun Wu Kong hit the monster's head with the rainbow-coloured stick, "If you don't want me to hit you then you must be good." The monster said, "Okay." Then Blue Bear shouted, "Follow me to the West!" again.

They ran to the West because maybe somebody would steal the magic book. They arrived and Sun Wu Kong got the book. He read the book. His monkey friends, the trees and the treehouse came back! The rubbish vanished and the ice was not melting anymore. The monsters became very nice. The world was right and they lived happily after.

Antchop's Journey to the West

Kingston International School, Ho, Shu Yan – 7

Antchop carried a big piece of breadcrumb on his back. It was two times bigger than his body. He was happy to show the queen. The queen took a little bite. It was the same boring old food. She said, "Antchop, I know you are hardworking and strong. Do you want to challenge yourself to find food that is new and special?"

Antchop was a brave ant and he decided to go to the west looking for "new and special food".

There were twin ants who were weak and they were dying. Antchop gave the left breadcrumbs to save them. They had a good memory and they could help Antchop to memorize the trip. Antchop then invited them to join the journey.

They walked and walked until they saw a forest full of bamboo. They saw a lot of bamboos so they called it "Bamboo-Bamboo Forest". They walked in the middle of the forest and they saw a panda who was trapped by leaves. Antchop and friends helped him untangle from the leaves and the panda joined them.

When they continued their journey, they landed in a hot desert. There were no trees and no plants. It was super hot, especially in day time and there was no water. They were thirsty to die and couldn't walk anymore. They met a camel who was looking for water. They asked him to carry them. Antchop said, "I know where the oasis is!" He led the team going to the fertile oasis. They found some new fruits like watermelon, grapes and apricots in the oasis. When they finished eating, they used the skin and seed to build a magic chariot that could bring them anywhere.

The camel helped them to cross the desert, they helped the camel to find water. They thanked each other and said goodbye. They continued their journey to the west in the chariot.

At night, Antchop and friends went up to a huge sand dune which was one thousand meters high. They stood at the top and looked up at the sky. They saw the moon and thousands of twinkling stars. They heard the sand singing like a flute and even like thunder grumbling, so they called it the "Mountain Of Singing Sands". The twins' compound eyes could capture all the beautiful scenery and their antenna could record the music of the sand. With their good memory, they would present this little but special music for the queen.

After the long journey, they were totally exhausted but they were very excited for what they had found. They rode on their chariot back to meet the queen. The queen was surprised and praised them, "You are brave, you have good teamwork, not giving up, trying your best and now you achieved your goal! Thank you for bringing new fruits to us. Not only new food, you brought also interesting experience!"

When they were having a party to celebrate, Antchop started to plan another adventure!

New Journeys to the West – Clean Water Adventure

Kingston International School, Kay, Jasmine – 7

Once upon a time, there were four little girls called Monky, Piggy, Princess Monkey and Sara who were the sisters of Tripitaker, Pigsy, Monkey King, and Sandy respectively.

To be goddesses, Monky, Piggy, Princess Monkey and Sara were sent to a monastery by their brothers. The monastery was on Longevity Hill. A long time ago, Pigsy, Monkey King and Sandy stole and ate all the Ginseng fruits without asked.

One day in a very hot summer, Monk Zheng, the teacher of the monastery, taught Monky, Piggy, Princess Monkey and Sara how to plant Ginseng fruits. It was super hard work for them because there were only tiny drops of water in the well. The girls decided to walk down the hill to get water from the closest river called Blue River. They got the buckets and started the long walk to Blue River.

After a nice stroll to the hillside, the girls saw Blue River in front of them. Monky gasped, "Water in Blue River is BLUE!" Piggy said, "Let's make a raft so that we can go further to get clean water." In a minute, they finished building a raft, and rode on the raft along the river.

Suddenly, the girls heard rushing water. They saw a waterfall a few miles ahead. They started paddling backwards. But, water was too strong, the raft kept going. The girls jumped out of the raft and swam to the riverside immediately. The girls were safe and chanted, "Hooray!" What a relief. It was too bad that water was still blue.

By the riverside, right above them was King Kong and his wife, Queen Kong. Princess Monkey cried, "Here's my home, Mountain of Flower and Fruit. They're my grandparents." Princess Monkey asked her grandparents where to find clean water. Queen Kong said, "In Ant Cave. It is made of crystals. Don't touch any crystals in the cave as the gigantic Devil Ant will eat you up." Queen Kong passed the magic long-hand power to Princess Monkey before the girls started their adventure.

While the girls were walking into Ant Cave, Piggy walked behind the others so no one saw her steal some crystals. Devil Ant came out from the dark and rushed to Piggy. Devil Ant opened his mouth wide to Piggy. Princess Monkey used the magic long-hand power to reach and throw Piggy out of Ant Cave. She then picked some Mekoberries with her long hands and shot Devil Ant. Devil Ant became weak because his weakness was Mekoberries. Then, Devil Ant escaped from the cave once and for all.

While everyone was looking for clean water, Sara was starving and ate a Mekoberry. Sara gasped, "Clean...Clean water is inside Mekoberries!"

Back to the monastery with tons of Mekoberries, the girls watered the Ginseng fruits with clean water. The Ginseng fruits grew well and fast every day. Monk Zheng was satisfied with their hard work so he allowed them to enjoy the Ginseng fruits. The four girls grinned, "Yum Yum!"

New Journey to the West

Kingston International School, Tsui, Charis – 6

One afternoon when Mickey Mouse was watching TV, he saw the Leaning Tower of Italy. He worried that it would drop and killed people, so he decided to go and save it. After reading the book called “Journey to the West”, Mickey decided to bring three followers with him to save the Leaning Tower and he himself was the Master.

Mickey decided to go to the East and searched for three followers. Finally he got Pokemon Marill, a good splasher from Okinawa, Pokemon Azumarill from Singapore who was the protector of the Merlion Park and Pokemon Azurill, the bravest thing from the oldest temple in China.

They started their journey to the west. Their first stop was Egypt. They were very excited when they saw the pyramid. Mickey brought them inside to see what they could find. Then a voice began to speak: “Hello!” said a little sweet voice from the pyramid.

“Who is it?” asked Mickey.

“Haha.... I’m Minnie Mouse. Nice to see you again Mickey!” Minnie came out to greet them.

“What are you doing in the pyramid?” asked Mickey.

“I’m always here in the pyramid but you didn’t notice! By the way, why are you in the pyramid of Giza?” replied Minnie.

“Oh, I’m on a mission to save the Leaning Tower in Italy, so I’ll come back as soon as I finish my journey to the West.” said Mickey.

Mickey and his three followers lost their way and ended in France. But when they saw the Eiffel Tower, they thought that was the Leaning Tower. All three of them were very surprised to see the tower was not leaning anymore!

“What’s the point of coming all the way here but the tower isn’t leaning?” asked Azurill.

“Hey, look at that flag there?” Marill squeaked.

“Shush up!” everyone cried.

Azumarill shouted, “That’s a French flag! We are in France!”

Marill splashed water on everyone because they didn’t believe in her. Then Mickey jumped onto the plane and Marill saw the plane about to take off, she quickly jumped right on the plane!

“Hope we don’t lose our way again!” prayed everyone.

After a few hours they reached Italy and were standing in front of the Leaning Tower. Azumarill jumped up to the tower and grasped it tightly.

“Don’t do that!” shouted out Mickey in a shaky voice.

Azurill quickly pushed the Leaning Tower straight, but after he let go, the tower was still leaning!

Then Marill came up with a great idea. She went to a garden, picked up a bucket and scooped some soil. At once she used a little bit of water and mixed the soil to turn it into mud. After she went back to the Leaning Tower, she asked Azurill to push the tower again, then she poured the mud into the hole. At the same time, Azumarill climbed down from the tower and helped them. She blew the mud dry!

“Well done!” said Mickey. “Good luck for us. We better head home now or we’ll be late for dinner!”

Journey in Space

Korean International School, Chan, Lara – 7

“Let’s go for more adventures!” said the Monkey King after they delivered the Buddhist sacred books to the temple.

“Well, let’s take a rest by the river first!” said Xuanzang, the monk.

There was a gigantic shadow belonging to a bull approaching the team.

“Who’s that?” screamed Zhu Bajie, the talk-able pig, and Xuanzang fearfully.

“I’m Metagrallo!” boomed the mega bull.

The Monkey King smacked Metagrallo with his Ruyi Jingu Bang, the magic stick.

“Ouch!” yelled Metagrallo, but he was not hurt.

“Who can defeat him?” asked Sha Wujing, the friar.

Suddenly, there was a loud bang! Metagrallo fell on the ground dying. A football player bounced a football on Metagrallo.

“Thanks!” said Xuanzang happily.

“What’s your name?” grunted the Monkey King.

The football player’s name was Penniford. He had a special weapon called Qweart, which could take people anywhere they wished.

“Penniford, let’s have adventures!” asked Zhu Bajie.

“Could we take the Qweart?” asked Sha Wujing.

“Yes, but it may bring us to the wrong place.” responded Penniford.

The team boarded the Qweart and fell asleep during the trip. When they woke up, they had no clue where they were.

“I think we are travelling to a planet called Ballstak!” cried the Monkey King. “Xuanzang, could you search about this planet?”

Xuanzang nodded.

Ballstak was a planet which revolved around the center star in Beckhamy’s belt. Ballstak was famous for its great goalkeepers in football. Their best goalkeeper was Synakick.

“Here we are!” screamed Zhu Bajie and Sha Wujing fearfully.

“Hey! No intruders here! Into the jail!” yelled Zackory, the chief police of Ballstak.

“Oh no! We may need to score a goal, guarded by the famous Synakick.” thought the Monkey King.

The team spent a night in jail. On the next day, Zackory woke them up loudly and said, "If you are the first to score a goal, you will be allowed to stay or leave. You will be given a chest of opals and citrines which will give you luck in the future."

Sha Wujing nodded.

Later, the team was standing by Synakick. Penniford said bravely, "I shall kick the ball. I am a football player after all."

The team agreed and cheered up.

Penniford nervously took a deep breath and looked at Synakick, who had two hands flying around the goal. "Don't let him shoot, Synakick!" yelled the cheerleaders.

"Let the game begins!" blared the loudspeaker.

Synakick was daydreaming. Penniford quickly kicked the ball into the goal. "Penniford wins!" blared the loudspeaker.

Zackory rushed in and said, "Here is your chest and you all are now free!"

"Surprise!" yelled Synakick and gave out a book. "A book to help your future."

"Thank you!" said the Monkey King and yelled for his flying cloud. "Take us back home!" In a few seconds, they were back on the Earth.

Xuanzang gave the chest and the precious book to the temple. He joined the team by the river and everyone chorused, "Life's beautiful!"

New Journey to the West

Korean International School, Han, Jiwoo - 6

Once upon a time, there was a giant cave and inside there was an egg. No one even knows what would happen inside the cave. One day, when the monkey was born from the egg, everyone was surprised and called him Brave Monkey. Suddenly an old monkey said, "The one who can catch a tiger can be the king".

The old monkey chose Brave Monkey, then only Brave Monkey could catch a tiger by himself! He became a real brave king. They had a feast and ate their favourite food, bananas. They laughed and giggled very loud. And Brave Monkey found gold! He used all the gold he found as a collection. He even put them on the floor because he might get lost and he could use the gold as a trail. One day the tiger escaped from its cage. The Brave Monkey said, "Leave him alone" and the tiger ran away. After that they had a celebration for Brave Monkey. He got ten awards and medals for being brave and saving them.

Years to years, days to days, Brave Monkey grew bigger and stronger. Then Brave Monkey came back to his home. Then Brave Monkey heard a very scary voice from under his bed. It was a dragon! But the dragon was very friendly. Then Brave Monkey felt a little tingle in his body. His fur was all grey. And it was because the dragon had put a spell on him. But still he was king. Plus everyone still loved him. Then one day his friend suddenly died. He hadn't been feeling well for the past two weeks. Brave Monkey was very lonely and sad. Then one day Brave Monkey died in his sleep. Because when Brave Monkey was sleeping, the released tiger had eaten him.

New Journey to the West

Korean International School, Ng, Hailey – 7

One day, the Buddha gave a new task to Tang Monk to visit Hong Kong in 2017, therefore 500 years later. “Tang Monk, this is a very challenging task, and I hope you can explore if there is any interesting things or technologies that can learn and bring back to our home to improve people’s live,” said the Buddha. Again, the three protectors Monkey King, the lazy Pigsy and the Sang Monk and the White Dragon Horse accompanied Tang Monk to start their adventurous journey to the West.

“May be we could go there by boat,” said Pigsy. The Monkey King said that idea was not working. Then, the Master, suggested that they should rather keep going instead of fighting. As they were walking, Monkey King climbed up a tree and he found a hidden tree hole accidentally. He was guessing if it could be the secret entrance to Hong Kong in 2017. Sand Monk suggested to go inside to check it out.

All of a sudden, they slide down in a very long, narrow and deep tunnel. Finally, they found themselves have landed in a strange place that they have never been ever. They saw a huge signage which said that Hong Kong 20th Anniversary 2017. Hence, they realized they already arrived to their destination. Pigsy looked up and he questioned why there were so many elephant-like monsters (the cars) moving all around. Hailey and Jeana were laughing at the four wired guys because they were wearing the ancient outfits. Hailey and Jeana were curious and approached them to check out who they were. The Master said, “We came from a very far place, and we have never been here.” Hailey and Jeana used different languages to greet them. “Bonjour? Nn-nyeong? Hello?” The guys’ faces looked puzzled.

Ding-Dong! The bell rang. Hailey and Jeana had to go back to the school and they invited the guys to join them to visit KIS. Tang Monk agreed. The four special guests were welcomed by Mr. Chadwick. Then, they joined the factory visit at Maxim’s. Pigsy was excited because he thought he could eat a lot of delicious bread. The Master discovered that there were many robots working at the production line. He said to Sang Monk that this technology was amazing and we should bring it back home. Therefore, they could make many bread efficiently with those robots.

Before they left, the manager of Maxim’s presented a robot to Tang Monk and his friends as a surprised souvenir. In return, Monkey King pulled out one of his hair and turned it into a cookbook with some secret recipes and then gave it to the Manager.

Suddenly, there was a strong light beam appeared in front of them and it was the time for them to go home. They said goodbye to everyone. “It was such a memorable and inspiring trip for us and I would miss Hong Kong and all of you,” said Monkey King.

New Journeys to the West

Korean International School, Wong, Jarvis -6

I was trapped in a rock at the top of the mountain. Every day I absorbed the power of the sunlight and moonlight. One day, the rock exploded. Here I am! I am Jason the Monkey King.

One day, I went to a mountain. Suddenly, I dropped to the ground and I found a cave. Luckily I met Master Puti and he taught me 72 powers of disguise. I could turn into anything I wanted to be. Master Puti gave me a strong armor with a powerful stick which was used to fight off bad villains. He also gave me a flying cloud because I am talented fighter.

It was a very hot summer day, I went to a party. There was plenty of food and drinks, I ate and drank all of them. The Buddha was madly angry and locked me up under the Five Fingers mountain. 150 years later, I met a young monk names Xuanzang. I promised to help him get the Buddha book from India, yet Xuanzang had to free me from the five fingers mountain first.

I went to the West with my friends. Suddenly, we felt very hot, we saw a flaming mountain. I decided to take the Ba Jian fan from Princess Iron Fan to extinguish the fire. I asked Princess Iron Fan to lend the Ba Jian fan but she refused to give it. And she blew me away to Buddha, the Buddha gave me a pill which made me stable under strong winds. She tried to blow me away but the pill kept me stable. She gave me a fake fan. I went to the flaming mountain and tried to extinguish the fire but was unsuccessful. Then I disguised myself as a cow king, this time she gave me the real fan. Finally, the fire was extinguished and we went over the mountain together with my friends and Xuanzang and we continued to travel to the West. Successfully, we bought the Buddha book back to China.

“Ring, ring” all I hear is mommy saying, “Jarvis wake up, Jarvis wake up, we are late for school.” Oh! It is just a dream!

New Journeys to the West

PLK Choi Kai Yau School (Primary), Kwan, Michael – 7

This story happened in a small city in Asia called Bigbean. Terry was a 7 years old boy and Milly was a 5 years old girl. Both of them loved adventures and eating mushroom.

One day, they were playing video games at home. Suddenly, they were attracted into the television and went into a Mushroom House. In the house, Terry found an iPad. It said “Hello! Milly and Terry, nice to meet you. Do you want to travel to the West by the Mushroom House? You will have a wonderful journey. If you need help, you can press 111111 on the keyboard.”

They saw a big gold “Start” button flashing on the iPad. Milly pressed the button. JERK!” The Mushroom House turned into an aeroplane-car-boat which can go up to the sky, float in the water and move on land. It flew to the sky and took Terry and Milly to a zoo in Wales. “What a big zoo! Let’s see what’s inside the zoo.” said Milly. They visited the zoo and took a lot of photos with the animals.

The iPad suddenly showed a yellow button. Milly quickly pressed it. The aeroplane-car-boat transformed into a boat. Milly slowly stepped in the right pedal and the boat started moving. “WHOOSH!” The boat was in the middle of the sea. They were travelling from Wales to New York. There was a big wave and Milly pressed the aeroplane mode button. It was Terry’s turn and he used the fast speed. Finally they landed safely at New York City in the U.S.A.

The iPad printed some U.S. dollar notes to Terry and Milly. Each of them had 500 U.S. dollars. They went into a hotel. There was a room that costed 800 U.S. dollars per night. Both Terry and Milly gave the staff 400 U.S. dollars. They watched Sports TV channel in the room. They watched exciting sports competitions such as bicycles, badminton, basketball and football. They were very happy.

The iPad appeared the yellow button again. Milly quickly pressed it. The aeroplane-car-boat transformed into a car. Terry and Milly were travelling from New York to Toronto in Canada. There was a GO chess competition in Canada. “Let’s join the competition” said Terry. The time for the competition was only 20 minutes. Terry and Milly used some Alpha-Go’s trick and finally they won silver prize. They bought a teddy bear and a pack of sausages and then went back to the aeroplane-car-boat.

Terry turned on the boat mode and drove the boat with good tricks. He used super fast speed and hit a brunch of killer whales. Finally, the boat crashed to the land. He quickly changed to car mode and arrived safely at Bigbean, their home city.

Suddenly, they heard their mom’s voice. “Who win the game?” mom said. Terry and Milly found that they were sitting in front of the television and playing video game. They loved this journey to the West and they want to have another exciting mystery again.

The Journey Away Home

PLK Choi Kai Yau School (Primary), Leung, Tiffany – 8

Last night, I was reading a book titled “Journey to the west”. As it had been a long day, I fell asleep very soon. When I opened my eyes, I found myself in the desert which was terribly hot and dry. I was frightened.

A monk walked near to me, smiled and said gently “Hi, Sun Wukong. Welcome back!”

“Are you talking to me?” I asked curiously.

I looked into mirror taken out from my pocket, I saw a hairy face with a long tail. I was very shocked.

Then, I realized I could travel very far in one somersault and lift up heavy things easily. I was amazed but terrified.

“He is Xuanzang?” I wondered.

Soon after, Pigsy and Sandy shouted at me “Hi, buddy! Long time no see.” Both of them looked exactly the same as the pictures in my book.

Xuanzang explained to us that all of us had to take a journey to the west (India) to complete a mission. That was to find a missing emerald which contained a mysterious power that could save the world. The emerald will make everyone healthier, happier and wealthier.

While I was scratching my head, Zuanzang took an A4 paper and quickly folded it into a soaring jet, and it turned from a paper into a real jet. I was shocked.

The jet looked cool and powerful. The body was black and shiny, I had never seen it in my life. It only had 4 leather seats with one touchable monitor like iPad in front.

Out of curiosity, I quickly jumped into the seat and fastened the seat belt.

Xuanzang said “Let’s go.” A second later, the jet stopped. We have already arrived to India.

Once we got off from the jet, it became a paper again. Xuanzang put it back to his pocket. He informed us the emerald in green in colour, as bug as my head and precious. We walked together and bumped into Romeo from PJMask’s episode.

“Romeo is holding the emerald.” Sandy and Pigsy screamed.

Romeo laughed and said “mu ha, come, take it if you can answer what son is this?”

Then he started saying “ I see trees of green, red roses too...”

I mumbled “Wow! I know this as I have been singing tis with my brother days and nights for school performance.”

I answered “What a Wonderful World!”

Romeo unexpectedly disappeared and we caught the emerald.

After completing the mission, we all screamed and laughed “We are heroes! We save the world!”

All of a sudden, the sky turned dark and I fainted.

When I woke up again, I was in my room. I quickly grabbed the mirror, I saw myself as usual not a monkey anymore. I wondered “Am I a hero? Did I save the world?” Then, mum came in and said “It is time to go to bed, sweetheart. Good night.” I realized it was just an extraordinary DREAM.

Journey to the West

Regents Primary School of Shenzhen, Fu, Bingqi – 8

A brave monk, Xuanzang started his journey to India hundreds of years ago. Although he was helpless in defending himself, Guanyin helped him by giving him three powerful disciples —— Monkey King, Monk Pigsy and Monk Sand. They would aid and protect him on his journey.

Monkey King was his first disciple. Monkey King could change himself into 72 kinds of things and characters. He had a pair of eyes that could see through the guise of demons. The second disciple was Monk Pigsy. On the one hand, he was very lazy, timid and sometimes selfish. On the other hand, he was kind, amiable and loyal. He never gave up any chance to save his master from the monsters. So, he is actually a funny and cute person.

The third disciple was Monk Sand. He was a warm-hearted and honest man.

One day, when they were near a mountain, Monk Pigsy suggested, ‘We should take a little break. I am thirsty and hungry. I am too tired to walk.’ Xuanzang stopped walking when he saw his exhausted disciples. He said, ‘Well, we could take a rest. Firstly, we need to look for a place to take a break. Then, one of you should go to pick some fruits.’ Monk Pigsy was very excited and went to a river nearby to take a bath. Monkey King showed no interest in taking a bath, he went away. And Monk Sand found a place, put down their luggage and went to pick some fruits.

After a while, Monk Sand came back and could not find his master. ‘Has master been caught by a monster?’ he thought. Unfortunately, Xuanzang was in the Spider Cave. The Spider Monster caught him in order to get his flesh. So Monk Sand hurriedly found Monkey King and told him that their master was caught by the Spider Monster. After hearing that, Monkey King was angry. He held his golden cudgel and went to Spider Cave with Monk Pigsy. Soon they found out Xuanzang was tied to a chair by Spider silk. Monkey King and Monk Pigsy found him and fought with the Spider Monster. Monkey King hit her on the head with his golden cudgel. Then Monkey King stuck the golden cudgel onto the ground. Consequently, the Spider Cave shook. The Spider Monster was hit by a falling stone and they saved their master.

Along the way, they helped the local people by defeating various monsters and demons. They overcame a lot of difficulties on their way. Finally, they got the true Buddhist sutra.

New Journey to the West

Regents Primary School of Shenzhen, Robinson, Archie Joshua – 6

Many years ago in China a Buddhist monk, a monkey, a pig and Sandy (a river monster) set off on an arduous journey to India in search of a Buddhist scriptures.

They all had very different characters: Monkey was naughty. Pigsy was lazy. Sandy was stupid. The monk (their leader) was kind. They travelled over mountains, through rivers, across deserts and faced many dangers. Finally, they reached India. They were surprised by the strange sights, sounds and smells there.

Pigsy was hungry, and wanted to try some Indian food. There were no noodles or tofu. Suddenly, the travellers smelt something delicious. They asked the shopkeeper with sigh language as they couldn't speak the language. 'Ah Curry,' said the shopkeeper. "Ah Curry," said Pigsy who stuck his nose straight inside the pot.

The Monk, Pigsy and Sandy ate their food. Monkey was sitting on a tree eating an apple. "I am bored," said Monkey. Suddenly, he heard singing. Monkey sped across the tree tops and dropped down into a garden. He realized he was in a temple. There in front of him was a statue of a monkey. He saw people praying and offering food. Suddenly, he realized the people thought that the monkey was a god. "I like India", he thought to himself. "In China, I am just a king but in India I am a god!" He decided to introduce himself and said in his loudest and proudest voice, "You have been waiting and now I am here!" For a second, none of the people moved, they just stared. Then they screamed "a speaking monkey", and ran towards the temple door.

Meanwhile the Monk, Pigsy and Sandy were still under the tree waiting for Monkey to return. Sandy suddenly noticed that the men didn't wear trousers but skirts. He crept behind an old Indian man and suddenly, snatched the skirt off the old man and ran away. The poor old naked man tried to chase Sandy but he was too old and too slow. When Sandy had lost the old man, he stopped and wrapped the cloth around his waist. He found the clothes so cool, comfortable and stylish.

At this time Monkey, Pigsy and Sandy cried "we don't like India". The Monk sighed and told them to remember the real reason they came to India, for the Buddhist scriptures. An old beggar who spoke some Chinese asked them why they came to India. The monk answered for reason of books and knowledge. The Beggar looked deep in his bag and pulled out a damaged and dirty old book. "This is why you are coming here for, in India, knowledge is everywhere in books. But too few people use knowledge in their daily lives."

Journey to the West

Regents Primary School of Shenzhen, Xiao, Junrong – 8

Once upon a time, there was a little kingdom called Aolai in the East Ocean continent. There was a god stone on top of a mountain. Once, a monkey was hatched out of the stone, and surprisingly, he could walk and talk right away.

Another day, the stone monkey found a waterfall while playing with other monkeys. They all agreed to bow to the monkey who dared to go into the waterfall unscathed. Immediately the stone monkey jumped in and found a cave there. So he became Monkey King.

Thereafter the monkeys played happily and leisurely in the mountains. But suddenly, the Monkey King wanted to study the art of immortality. So he crossed the oceans to seek for gods. One day, he asked a villager where the god was. The villager replied there was an old friendly god living in the mountains. 'Boom' the Monkey King somersaulted to a beautiful cave.

Strangely two Tao children were already waiting for him and they took him to see the master. The master gave him a new name called Sun Wukong. Time flew. After seven years, one day the master asked him what he would like to learn. Sun Wukong insisted on learning the art of immortality. The master seemed angry but still decided to grant him the wish.

Sun Wukong was so clever that he could grasp all the things the master taught him. But one day, he played a trick on his other disciples. The master was angry and he kicked Sun Wukong out at once.

Then Sun Wukong went back to his home. He stole the great golden cudgel from the Dragon Palace and crossed his name off the book of life and death. The Jade Emperor knew it, he made him as his horse keeper. Sun Wukong was happy to take the job. He rode the heaven horses every day.

A month passed, when he knew the rank of horse keeper was so low, he was so angry that he decided to go back and claimed to be the King of Heaven. The Jade Emperor was so angry that he sent an army to seize Sun Wukong but failed. Without choice, the Jade Emperor ordered Erlang to subdue the monkey. Erlang was more powerful than Sun Wukong and he subdued him and sent him to Lord Laozi.

Lord Laozi was the high lord in Heaven. He put Sun Wukong into his furnace. But Sun Wukong was so cunning that he finally escaped from the furnace and re-launched the war against the Jade Emperor. So the Emperor asked Buddha for help. Buddha challenged Sun Wukong to jump out of his hand. Sun Wukong thought it was such an easy task. He made a mark on Buddha's hand. But he couldn't jump or even run away.

Finally, he was shackled under the mountain of five elements made by Buddha.

What I Thought after Reading "Journey to the West"

Regents Primary School of Shenzhen, Xiong, Tianrui – 7

“Journey to the West” is an exciting story and I really like it. What if the four characters were born in modern times. What would happen to them? Let me tell you: they were in the same school.

In the teachers' eyes, Tang Seng was a good student, who always finished his homework on time and carefully. Wukong was a very naughty boy, who always made his teachers angry, Bajie was known as a gourmet, his mouth was always stuffed with snacks no matter where he went. Shaseng was more normal than the others. Ten years on, TangSeng became a scholar who specialized in astronomy and geography. He was also a lawyer. He was in good business every day. His company was always crowded with people. Sunwukong had nothing to do all day, and the monkeys were worried about him. One day Tangseng sent a message, “I heard that modern people love travelling. We can make Huaguo Mountain a tourist attraction to make money!” Suddenly he realised it would be good business.

Sunwukong was very happy and he immediately called up all the monkeys “Our Huaguo Mountain and Shuilian Cave are so beautiful. I want to make them popular scenic spots.” Then, he flew to the TV station, he requested the director to broadcast his commercial. The director did not agree. Sunwukong was so angry and he took out the Jingubang. The director felt threatened so he followed Sunwukong's request. In less than two days, the Huaguo Mountain and Shuilian Cave were crowded with people. Sunwukong was surprised and he made a lot of money.

Bajie loved eating, so he made an advertisement for a food company and became famous overnight. Therefore, many other food companies came calling Sunwukong for advertising.

Finally, Shaseng went back to his hometown Liushahe to run an ink business, with his hard work, his business was booming. He slowly became the president of a national ink company, and his business was getting better and better. What a surprise! If they do exist, will things be the same as I have envisaged?

Journey to the West

Regents Primary School of Shenzhen, Zhong, Haoming – 7

The Tang Priest and his three disciples, Monkey King, Pigsy and Friar Sand, were heading towards the Western Heaven. Gradually they began to feel hotter and hotter. It was very strange, because it was already late Autumn. Later they learned that the Fiery Mountains were just ahead of them. The mountains had a circumference of 800 miles, on which not a blade of grass could grow. A young man selling cakes told them that it was impossible to cross the mountains without a special plantain fan which could only be borrowed from Princess Iron Fan.

After having made arrangements for his master, Monkey King left for the Plantain Cave to see Princess Iron Fan. The Princess was the wife of the Bull Demon King and the Red Boy's mother. Some time ago, Red Boy had tried to eat the Xuanzang (the master monk) and Monkey King subdued him. Hence Princess Iron Fan hated Monkey King and refused to lend the fan to him. Instead she blew Monkey King out of sight with a single swipe of her plantain fan. Bodhisattva Lingji heard about this and gave Monkey King a wind-resistant pill. Soon after Monkey King came to the Princess to borrow the magic fan for the second time. With the wind-resistant pill in his mouth, Monkey King could not be blown away no matter how hard the Princess waved the fan. Subsequently, the Princess hurried back to her cave and had the doors closed tightly.

However, with his magical power, Monkey King turned himself into an insect and got into the Princess' belly when she was drinking tea. The Princess could not stand the pain, so she agreed to lend the fan to Monkey King, but she actually gave him a fake one.

The third time Monkey King came for the fan he decided to turn himself into the Bull Demon King. He got the fan. Upon hearing of this trickery, the Bull Demon King came hurriedly chasing after Monkey King. As a result, they engaged in a fierce fight. Soon Pigsy and Friar Sand came and helped Monkey King defeat the Bull Demon. With the plantain fan, Monkey King immediately put out the flame of the Fiery Mountain. In the end, the Master and his three disciples were able to continue their journey to the West.

Xuanzang finally reached India, and received the scriptures from the living Buddha. Sun Wukong (Monkey King) and Xuanzang achieved Buddhahood, Sha Wujing (Sandy) became an arhat, the dragon horse is made a naga, and Zhu Bajie (Pigsy), whose good deeds had always been tempered by his greed was promoted to become an altar cleanser.

Adventure in the Rain Forest

Shanghai Community International School, Au, Kelly – 8

Molly and her sister, Stacy, were playing at the park. Molly saw a tree with a golden door and a Silver Star pattern.

“Wow!” gasped Stacy.

“Maybe it’s some kind of secret door,” Molly guessed.

“Let’s go!” said Stacy as she headed toward the door.

“Wait! What if it’s a trap?” Molly said worried.

“Oh don’t be such a scardy-cat Molly!”

“Fine.” Molly said confidently.

As Stacy started to open the door, Molly’s feet began to wobble, her hands began sweating, and her teeth began to chatter. Then, a bright flash of light hit their eyes! When it cleared, they were no longer in the park, they were in a place with tall trees that seems to touch the sky.

“I told you this wasn’t a good idea!” screamed Molly, and as she said that her face started to turn red.

“Calm down Molly, we can think of this as an adventure!” said Stacy excitedly.

“Are you crazy, an adventure in the rainforest?! We need to get home.” Molly said.

“Look, there’s a boat!” Molly pointed to a rusty boat, it was covered with wet seaweed, ripped spider webs, and dead flies.

“EWWW!” Stacy said with her nose pinched.

“Come on Stacy, it’s our only chance!” cried Molly.

“Fine, fine, I’m coming.” Stacy said rolling her eyes.

They got in the boat, and Molly started to row with dirty paddles. She stared at Stacy, who was enjoying the ride.

“What!?” Stacy asked.

“Aren’t you going to help me?” Molly asked frustrated.

Stacy sighed, picked up her paddles, and started rowing.

They landed their boat on a field of grass and jumped out. Molly gasped. Stacy looked up, a huge elephant was standing there with a small elephant.

“What can we do for you?” asked the big elephant.

“Did you talk?!” Stacy asked confused.

“Yes, we are magical flying elephants and we love helping,” replied the small elephant.

“Our names are Molly and Stacy,” Molly said.

“I’m Lucy and this is my mother Lilyana.”

“What can we help you with?” asked Lilyana politely.

“Well, we are looking for a door that has a Silver Star pattern around it.” Molly said.

“Ah, we know where it is!”

“But how can we get there?” asked Molly.

“You could ride on our backs and we can fly you there!” said Lilyana.

“Awesome!” Stacy gushed as Lucy used her soft grey trunk to lift her up onto her back.

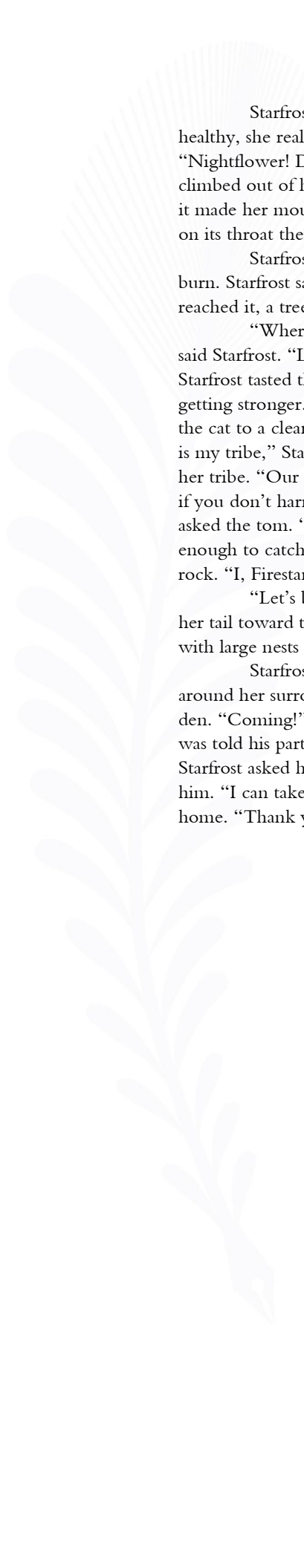
“Whoa, Whoa, Whoa,” cried Molly, “I am not getting on that thing!”

“Well, it’s our only chance to get home,” said Stacy.

Before Molly could reply, Lilyana lifted her onto her back and took off. They flew across the sky and then landed on a soft pile of grass. Stacy looked up, it was the exact same door. The elephants let them down and said goodbye.

“Come and visit!” called Lucy.

“We will!” Molly called back, and opened the door with a flash. This time they landed in their room.



Starfrost grunted as both of her cubs landed on her shoulders. Everyone is just so happy and healthy, she realized. The two cubs—Nightflower and Dewnose—were now sucking at her rich milk. “Nightflower! Dewnose! Can you stay in Snowfall’s den for a while” Her cubs nodded excitedly, as she climbed out of her den, she inhaled deeply. She noticed an antelope cantering around the hill. The scent of it made her mouth water. She crept forward and pounced before it could run away. She killed it with a bite on its throat then carried the antelope up the mountain.

Starfrost heard her sister, Snowfall, yowling a warning. The flames licked the mountain, making it burn. Starfrost saw her tribe run down the hills and begin to head toward the river. However, before they reached it, a tree was struck by lightning and fell on the floor, but her tribe leaped over it.

“Where are we going to live now?” asked Nightflower in a frightened whisper. “I don’t know,” said Starfrost. “Let’s go into the West forest,” Thornpelt suggested. As they walked inside the forest, Starfrost tasted the air. Cats! “Maybe they can help us,” Starfrost said. They followed the scent, slowly getting stronger. Once they saw a brown pelt dodging the brambles, they knew it was a cat. They followed the cat to a clearing. “Who in Star Clan’s sake are you?” asked a ginger tom. “My name is Starfrost and this is my tribe,” Starfrost told the tom. “Then why are you here?” the tom demanded, glaring at Starfrost and her tribe. “Our territory caught on fire,” Starfrost explained. “Oh,” the tom’s gaze softened. “I can take you if you don’t harm the kits,” the tom said. “We won’t,” Starfrost promised. “Can you build your own dens?” asked the tom. “Sure,” Starfrost told him. When Starfrost finished speaking, the tom yowled, “Everyone old enough to catch their own prey, gather beneath the high rock for a meeting!” Starfrost followed under the rock. “I, Firestar, leader of Thunder Clan would like to welcome Starfrost and her clan,” Firestar said.

“Let’s build a den now,” Snowfall said. “We want to help!” squealed Dewnose. Snowfall flicked her tail toward the nursery. “You can play there.” Before sunset, they finished their den. The den was filled with large nests filled with moss.

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Journey to West

Shanghai Community International School, Chan, Zoe – 8

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Escaping a Roblox Abbey

Shanghai Community International School, Leung Yui Sum, Marcus – 7

One day, in a house, there were three men, the names of the three men are Peepper, Claster, and Greet, (Greet got teleported in accidentally!!) The following story will tell you about the whole story about Greet.

It was 8 o'clock at night, time for the three men to go to bed.

Suddenly in the next morning, Greet woke up and accidentally got teleported to a totally black room, on a wall in that room it said in white: You are about to teleport to an abbey that is like a roblox abbey.

The roblox abbey is like the sledermen abbey but made up with stages and there could be loads of people in to survive.

The platform Greet was standing on just disappeared and he fell down in the teleporter and spawned on the abbey start point. "The information is on the top-right corner", someone said when he teleported in. He looked at the information: There are eight stages, slendermen will come and eat you. Eight minutes! Wow! that's just a little time! After he read the information, he quickly jumped right into the abbey.

Stage one and firstly, he jumped onto some rectangular platform, there were five blue platforms to jump on. The next checkpoint was on a blue platform. The next stage had checkers of blue and orange. He asked himself, should I jump on the blue or the orange? He thought, I should step on the blue definitely! He walked on the blue and fell in the lava! It was terrible – Greet fell in the lava and spawned on the checkpoint. He jumped on the orange and completed stage two! Stage three was to jumping with slendermen within 5 minutes. Stage four was jumping on his flget spinners. Stage five was choosing his correct tools. He choosed right one and it was right ! Stage six was to jump over slendermen. Stage seven was the same but on the last jump slendermen start eating and chase him. At last stage, he ran to the teleporter and in the last minute, he teleported successfully.

He lived happily ever after that.

Journey to Eagle Peak

Shanghai Community International School, Lopez, Lila – 7

Johnny and Isabella never forgot the legend of Eagle Peak. Their parents had told them, before they died, about the amazing site that was Eagle Peak.

One night Johnny woke Isabella, “I have a plan.” he whispered. “We escape tonight and if she hears us, I’ve set up booby traps. Let’s find the Blue Fairy to help us get to Eagle Peak.” “I think we may be headed into trouble.” said Isabella. “Hey, I never said it was going to be easy.” Johnny said. They tiptoed through the deserted hallway. Just as Johnny was about to turn the doorknob they heard the unpleasant voice of their foster mom, Ms. Growling, “You’ve been naughty kids.” she said in an unpleasant voice. Ms. Growling fell to the ground as the net that Johnny set up came crashing down on her. Johnny and Isabella took their chance and ran for it. Ms. Growling screamed, “I will get revenge, I will!”

“Bring out the magic flute !” Said Isabella. He pulled out a shiny, silver flute and played a tune. Isabella began to sing.

“Don't be shy little fairy,
Come down and help us.
Nothing's going to hurt you.
Please come down and help us.”

When the song ended a blue light came down from the tallest tree, glitter trailing behind it. Slowly the light grew until it was as big as Johnny and Isabella. The light took shape and became the Blue Fairy. “Don't fret darlings, you'll get to Eagle Peak.”

“Owl, my wing aches. We've been flying for hours.” Isabella complained. “Are we almost there?” said Johnny. “Relax, we're here.” said the Blue Fairy.

An Eagle Guard appeared. “To pass you need to fight your greatest fear.” Johnny had butterflies in his stomach like never before. “To be honest, our greatest fear is Ms. Growling,” said the twins. Suddenly Ms. Growling appeared. “I'm going to get you this time, little rats!” She chased them until Isabella noticed that Ms. Growling was holding the net they used to trap her. Isabella snatched the net from Ms. Growling and threw it on her. “Noooooo!” wailed Ms. Growling.

The Blue Fairy pointed towards Eagle Peak. “I'm very happy for you,” she said. When the bronze gates opened, Johnny and Isabella's eyes opened wide with amazement. Eagle Peak had mountains, water falls and most of all, Eagles. There were two eagles that stared back at them with equal amazement. Isabella whispered to Johnny, “This is kind of awkward.” Once the four eagles locked eyes they knew instantly they had found each other. “Johnny, Isabella!” cried their Mom. “Mom, Dad? I thought you were dead?” Said Isabella. “We were all separated when you both turned three and we couldn't leave Eagle Peak to find you.” Said their Dad. We could only be reunited if you came to Eagle Peak. The four of them flew together and hugged. It was a moment none of them would ever forget.

A Fruits Journey

Shanghai Community International School, Michlutti, Pietro – 7

One summer day, a little fruit called Apple went to call his friend Orange. They were best friends, so they always played together.

One day Apple had a great idea of going on a journey to Egypt. And Orange said that it was a great idea. But Apple said “If we want to do that we have to go in secret” Ok, said Orange. SHHHHHH! Apple said. S-S-Sorry Apple, said Orange. Now let’s go to Egypt!

When they were in Egypt, they found another friend that didn’t have friends, so they asked: “Do you want to play hide and seek with us?” And the friend said: “Yes, please”. But first we want to know your name. My name is Banana. That’s what I was thinking your name was, because you actually look like a banana.

Do you want to go on a journey with us?

Yes! That would be fun.

Where do you want to go for your journey?

To Italy! That is my favorite country!

Why? asked Banana

Because it has the leaning tower of Pisa!

Let’s go to the airport or we will miss the flight, said Orange.

Oh my god, the airplane is leaving in twenty-five minutes. Run! Or we will miss the flight! Let’s go quickly, shouts Apple.

Oh no we missed the flight! Now we will have to walk to Italy. Let’s start walking or we will never arrive. Apple, why are there so many trees? Because we are in a forest. But Apple... what if we get stuck in a bush. We will just have to find a way to get out.

Go see our hotel, Said Orange. Where is the bus? asks Banana. There it is! said Orange. Quickly! said Apple. Here is our hotel! It looks disgusting. You are right Orange, let’s move to another country. Let’s go back to the airport.

Get the Argentina airplane. We’re on the airplane, We’re on the airplane! sings Banana. How long will this ride be? asked Orange. 12 hours. Let’s go to the airport. Here is the ticket station. What is our airplane number? asks Banana. Number 2. I see the airplane number 2. Good job! Orange. Now let’s get on it. “Yey” – screamed Banana. We’re going on an A380. Uuuuuuu that sounds interesting...

We are on the second floor of the double-decker plane. I’m going to read Harry Potter #5. Okay, said Orange. We have arrived. Hola como estas? Anyone knows how to speak Spanish? No. Oh no, we are doomed. I have an idea. What is your idea? Use google translate.

Great idea, Apple. Let’s see what “hola como estas” means. It means hello how are you. Thank you Banana. Let’s go to our new hotel. Here it is. This hotel looks lovely. I’m tired. Let’s go to bed. So the three fruits slept for one hundred years. And woke up and had a lovely breakfast.

Dreaming Adventures with Magic Things

Shanghai Community International School, Nuno, Ali – 7

Once upon a time there was a girl called Nany. She was playing in the playground at her house. It was a very hot day, and she got very tired so she went inside to rest and she felt deeply sleep.

Once upon a time there was a rabbit that could not stop talking. But when he saw a rainbow, the rabbit just stopped talking! All the rabbit friends got impressed. Then a little mouse said: you can go up until the top of the rainbow and cross to the other side, then the rabbit climbed but the rainbow started turning in a zigzag shape. The rabbit said: I cannot! The little mouse said: look! I will show you how. Then the little mouse went up and said: Woohoo!! Woohoo!! This is so fun!! All of the rabbit friends also tried, only the rabbit could not go. He was so sad. The little mouse said to him: why don't you try again? And he replies: but I am too heavy. But the mouse insisted: you can try again. This time the rabbit went up the rainbow super high but he flipped and bumped his head with the ground. His friends called the doctor and took him to the hospital. There, the doctor gave him a shot and he felt deeply sleep...

Once upon a time there was a mama bird, a papa bird and a very cute small bird. They lived in a very cozy nest. Every day the papa bird used to go out and fly to feel the fresh air on his feathers and have a look to see what was happening around the nest. The mama bird every day went out to get some food to bring it back to the nest.

While the mommy and daddy bird were not at home the little one used to stay at the nest just waiting. But one day the little bird grew up! One morning he got bored so he decides to go out to his neighbors home to play for a while. When the parent birds came back they got scared because Luiz, their son was not there. Lately they remember that Luiz likes to play with the neighbour, so they went to look for him and they find Luiz as they imagine.

Altogether came back home to eat and talk about what everyone did that day. Papa bird liked to talk about what he have seen flying free throw the air. They all enjoyed and had fun talking! As soon as they finished eating and listening papa bird story the three birds went to sleep, it was dark outside and they needed to rest to have energy so they can fly free throw the sky, get some food for the family and have fun playing with friends.

The next morning the three birds were so tired that couldn't wake up. So they keep on sleeping...

When the rabbit woke up he was still feeling bad so he went back to sleep to feel better...

Then, Nany woke up wondering if all that was true, then she realized that rabbits, mice and birds cannot talk, so Nany said to herself: that was actually not true, that was only a dream!!

All for Nothing

Shanghai Community International School, Sanchez Liang, Jorge – 8

Rowen was the chosen one. He needed to get the peacemaker, the magical object that could stop all war. Rowen ran up the wet stairs, got his stuff and ran away. He remembered his mom passed just after she had told Rowen to get the amulet for any adventure. His mom had told him the amulet was in the pyramids of Giza.

Eventually, he got to the pyramids. He entered the biggest one. In it there was only a door. Rowen entered the door, and a wall of spikes shot down! Rowen stayed there but nothing happened. He looked up and saw a long hair, brown skinned, strong man. The man helped Rowen up and told him to take the amulet quickly. Rowen took the amulet and they got out.

Rowen asked, "What is your name?"

"Husani. It means handsome. I've been waiting for you."

Rowen shook the amulet; it pointed north, so they went north.

"Husani," said Rowen, "do you have any other power other than being handsome?"

"Yes. I produce water in the desert to help people live," said Husani.

"Good. That might help."

Suddenly a peculiar noise struck them; it was a sand demon.

Rowen threw the amulet at the demon, and when he bent down to get it, Rowen jumped on him and pulled his neck up. Husani shot a torrent of water and liquefied him.

A creature appeared and said, "I'm a sphinx. You need to guess the riddle. Get it right, pass. Get it wrong, fight. Let's start. What has cities, but no houses, forests, but no trees, and water, but no fish?"

Rowen held down the record button on his spy pen. Then the spy pen displayed a small screen. It had a picture that looked like a map. So then Rowen told the sphinx the answer was a map. The sphinx said, "Correct. As a reward I will give you a map that will show you how to find the peacemaker. You may pass."

On the map was written, "Seek Gongoyen in the Jade bar. Travel north."

So they went north and followed the map until they saw the Jade bar. They strode closer. The bar was filled with chattering. Rowen said, "Gongoyen". Afterward the server gave him a riddle: how many times is it possible to subtract 5 from 25. Husani counted $25-5=20$ but then he realized when you subtract 5 from 25 its not 25 anymore. So the server led them to a room that had an echoing box.

Rowen knew someone had to sacrifice himself and put his heart in the box then the back door should open. Husani said, "It has to be me. I want to be the superman." Husani grabbed a knife and cut himself open. Rowen did it. He grabbed Husani's heart and put it in the box. Then the back door opened. Rowen went out sobbing, there was the peacemaker.

Rowen ran up and touched it, but why hadn't war stopped...

Journey to the West

Shanghai Community International School, Tibbert–Wykvlie, Finn – 8

There was a fearless emperor who wanted the scrolls with important information about defeating evil. A brave young man called Dong priest told him, “I will get them emperor. If I fail I will not return”.

Off in the mountains Dong priest met a hunter with an axe who wanted to make sure Dong priest was safe. They saw a caged tiger that looked hurt. “Master please help me, please” said the tiger. “I don’t know” said the hunter. “It’s me, the tiger king, can you help me? I’m trying to get out of here” said tiger king. Dong priest unlocked the cage. They all walked along the mountain and the hunter said, “I will leave now you have the tiger king to help you.”

Suddenly a rock demon appeared who looked strong and muscly. I’ll take down this rock demon, he looks really easy, the tiger king thought. The tiger king rolled on the ground and kicked the demon, and the demon turned pale then ran away. Then they saw huge green mountain ranges. “Let’s go” said Dong priest and they walked to the hill. It looked steep but it was moving, what was it? Something was shaking the trees, they looked closely, out of the forest a werewolf appeared. “Watch out, a mountain werewolf” cried the tiger king. The tiger grabbed his spear and tried to fight the werewolf, but the werewolf was so strong, how was he going to win? A dog came out of nowhere and helped him fight. The werewolf was too scared to fight so he ran back into the forest as fast as he could. The tiger thanked the dog and the dog asked if he could join the team, the priest said yes, so he joined the team and kept going. We are going to the west to get the scrolls for emperor Dong.

The three kept going. They saw the top of the mountain Qehou, who looked strong and fierce. “Oh no” said the priest, “we will fight together” said the tiger king. “Yes” said the dog, “let’s go and fight.” They jumped on Qehou, and kicked Qehou. Qehou scratched them, and they were angry at Qehou. Also, Qehou was angry at them and he kicked them in fury. “Help” shouted the king and the dog at the same time, “I will help” said the priest. “Noooooooooooo, he is about to punch” said the tiger. The priest turned around and the tiger and dog fell on the ground and looked dead. What should I do, thought the priest, but when he turned around the monster had run away. “Why did he run away, oh they kicked him. They were dead, they must have faked it”. “We did, is this the place we are supposed to find the scrolls?” They couldn’t see anything, the scrolls might be underground and they started digging, but just when they started the scrolls came out of the ground.

Journey to the Ice Monster's Cave

St Margaret's Co-educational English Secondary & Primary School, Chan, Mikail – 8

The night had rolled in over Antarctica bringing with it the threat of a raging snowstorm. The air was still and heavy and the thick clouds blotted out the stars. Xuanzang was meditating in the warmth of the cave he and his companions shared. Suddenly, he had a premonition of an imminent attack from the demon ice monster who was on a mission to freeze the world, hypnotise everyone and use them as puppets for his entertainment.

The following morning when the sun rose, the four friends set out on a journey to destroy the ice monster. They hiked through whooshing cold mountains, slid over icy rivers and pushed their way through swirling whirling snowstorms. They were close to reaching the bottom of the Chichika Mountains when they saw an enormously high ice wall surrounded by a lot of minion ice monster guards. Though crafty, the minions were always goofing around. The monkey king's instant reaction was to attack the minions. Being held back by Xuanzang after observing their behaviour, they came up with a plan to divert the minions' attention, so they could enter the gates unknown.

The monkey king transformed himself into different animals and put on a show for the minion guards. While entertaining them with his somersaults and tricks, he also made them disappear one by one. In the meantime, the others sneaked through the wall and up the mountain.

As they entered the cave, they could hear the ice monster chanting and trying out hypnotising spells on his monster guards. The pig and the sand priest charged into the cave from different directions as Xuanzang chanted an ice warming lullaby. They defeated the minions easily with one hit. The pig was able to punch the ice monster with great strength, but not before the monster struck the sand priest and turned him into an ice minion. Just then, the monkey king danced his way in and around the monster and froze him. The two companions smashed the demon into pieces. Just as they turned around, all the pieces started to fuse back together. Again, with all their strength and tricks, they tried to attack from all angles. The monkey king even dived from the sky and transformed into different animals. They all had one question on their minds: How can we defeat this monster? The pig had an idea. He took out a box of matches he had kept and lit a few sticks. Each companion threw it in the direction of the monster. The ice monster laughed and said, "You can't defeat me with that!"

But as the stick hit the monster he slowly began to melt and in no time turned into a big puddle of water. The sand priest turned back into his human form, but everything around them began to melt. They were pushed out of the cave by a big wave and slid all the way down the mountain. It was a very wet and fulfilling journey for all of them.

A Journey to the Western World

St Margaret's Co-educational English Secondary & Primary School, Chu, Ethan – 8

One day in Hong Kong, Xuanzang the monk told his three companions, Pigsy, the Monkey King and the Sand Priest, that they would gather recipes for a big feast to celebrate the anniversary of completing the journey to bring back the Buddhist books from the west. The Sand Priest said England has good recipes for their big feast. Pigsy, who likes eating, told everyone that he wanted to go to England to try the original fish 'n' chips. The monk pondered for a while. He agreed to the Sand Priest's suggestion so the Monkey King jumped in one somersault and transported the group to England in the blink of an eye.

After arriving near Big Ben in London, the lazy Pigsy told the Sand Priest to get some fish 'n' chips right away. The Sand Priest arrived at a fish 'n' chips shop and saw a boy crying outside. The Sand Priest asked for his name and why he was crying. The boy said, "I am Ethan. I am sad because the owner of this shop said there is no more fish to serve customers so they must close down."

The Sand Priest comforted Ethan and brought him to the group. They told Pigsy the bad news. Pigsy waved his rake angrily and shouted, "I shall go get some fish myself!" The monk tried to calm Pigsy down but he was too angry to listen. Pigsy stomped off towards the River Thames.

The group followed Pigsy and saw a sea monster rise to the surface of the river. Ethan explained that this sea monster might have eaten up all the fish, therefore there are no fish for fish 'n' chips in the city. The Monkey King immediately rushed to fight the monster. He jumped around the monster quickly and hopped onto the monster's back hitting it very hard with his weapon. The Sand Priest made good use of his swimming ability to distract the monster while Pigsy, raging with anger, used his rake to hit the sea monster over and over again. However, the sea monster was too strong. The Monkey King plucked a few hairs from his head and quickly blew them into ten copies of himself. All eleven of the Monkey Kings ran around the sea monster at the same time like a hurricane. The Monkey King tied it up with a rope. He parted the river so that Xuanzang could talk to the monster. He asked the monster to leave the river and eat less fish. He also told everyone to look after marine animals and not overfish. Otherwise, we won't have enough fish for everyone to eat. The sea monster nodded its head. It slowly returned to the water and swam to the ocean. The group said, "Hurray! No more monster!"

Pigsy complained, "I'm starving!"

Ethan invited Xuanzang and his companions to his home for dinner. Before leaving England. Xuanzang invited Ethan to Hong Kong to join them at the big feast. Ethan said, "Yippee! I will bring fish 'n' chips!"

New Journeys to the West

St Margaret's Co-educational English Secondary & Primary School, Del Mundo, Giuliana – 10

“**H**UA ZHANG!” my mom shouted. “WE NEED TO GO NOW! HURRY UP!”
I stuffed my camera in my bag and rushed downstairs to my family’s green van, plopping a mint in my mouth as we drove off to the Fantasy Zhang Zoo.

We went to that zoo every July. It was like a family tradition. My father was a veterinarian and encouraged a love of animals from an early age.

“Hua Zhang!” My sister squealed. “It’s Princess Monkey!”

I walked over to where she was standing and smiled as I looked at the monkey in the cage.

“Hi, Princess Monkey!” I waved over to the little monkey sitting on the tree. Princess Monkey was the name my sister and I gave to the smallest and brightest-colored monkey in the cage. She was considered one of the zoo’s main attractions, as she wore an old-looking gold crown. How that crown appeared on top of her head still remains a mystery to this day.

I took a banana from my bag and waved it around, in hopes for her to come closer.

She started to approach me. I peeled the banana and squeezed my hand between the cage bars.

“Here you go!” I said softly. The monkey stared at the banana for what was only a few seconds, but seemed like an eternity. Suddenly, she placed her tiny hand on the banana and the world went dark.

I woke up, finding myself in a canyon. I stood up, feeling numb, as I picked up my bag from the ground.

I looked below and saw a monk wearing a golden robe and crown, riding a horse. He slashed the mountain of stone in front of them and pulled a monkey out of the mountain.

“Wait...tha—” I was speechless. The monk gave the monkey a crown that looked exactly like the one I saw in the zoo.

They looked up and saw me, noticing how scared I looked.

“Are you okay?” The monkey walked over to me with concern.

I was panicking, and I blinked hard. This couldn’t be Princess Monkey, right? She couldn’t talk! And more importantly... She wouldn’t have such a deep voice! Don’t tell me... she is actually... a he?

“Y—you’re...” I tried to speak, but my throat felt dry. “Not p-princess...”

The monkey shook his head. “That’s right. I’m not a princess! I’m a prince! A prince, I tell you! I look nothing like a girl, am I right, monk?!”

The monk shrugged and laughed as the monkey sulked behind him.

Before I could speak any further, a giant, horrid-looking spider sprang out of nowhere and held the monk to the ground. I backed away in terror.

“A spider demon!” The monkey shouted, and quickly plunged his heavy staff into the demon’s head.

I stumbled backwards and found myself falling into the steep hills. I screamed, knowing that my life could end. Suddenly, I saw Prince Monkey gliding towards me as he sat on a cloud. He caught me only a few seconds before I was going to hit the ground.

“Are you okay?” Prince Monkey asked as he dug through my backpack to hand over my water bottle. I almost wept, but I was too dumbfounded from what just happened. “We have to go somewhere safe,” the monk said. “It’s too dangerous for us to be out at this time.”

We all decided to rest for the night. I gathered more firewood as the monk and the monkey lit the campfire. “Didn’t Buddha say that we were supposed to get the scriptures from the Temple of the West?” the monkey asked.

“Indeed, but we’re supposed to get help from the Earth God as well,” the monk replied and sighed. “We still have a long way to go.”

I didn’t really understand their conversation, so I decided to sleep, hoping I would wake up with my mother and sister at the zoo.


Sadly, when I woke up, I found the monkey staring at me. So, it wasn’t a dream after all.

“LET’S GET GOING!” he shouted. I reluctantly got up to pack my bags and comb my hair.

We hiked up a steep mountain. The monkey was the first to arrive at the top, jumping and screeching at us to hurry. I rolled my eyes and drank some water, which I immediately spat out as I saw a gigantic, golden man sitting on the top of the mountain. He looked irritated. “Why thee not boweth before the Great Buddha?” he roared.

The monkey squinted and roared: “You are not the Great Buddha! You’re a hoax!” Then, poof! The Great Buddha disappeared and left behind was... The Bull Demon King!

“Alas, my sworn brother. I haven’t seen you in a long time.” the monkey said, as he dashed rapidly towards the demon and smacked him with his dreadfully heavy weapon.



The fight continued on for some time, and the demon eventually waved a reddish-brown stick into the air. “What is it doing?” I shrieked.

The monkey gave a smug grin. “You don’t have to be afraid. It’s surrendering.”

“Your job here is done,” said the demon in defeat. “You must continue on with your journey to the West.”

We rode a sleek boat that led us to the temple. Once we arrived inside and saw the scripture, the monk immediately snatched the artifact. We cheered, knowing that this meant that we could go back home. I could barely remember the Buddha welcoming us back to the village as we celebrated a ceremony with the citizens. Before I knew it, I came back to consciousness, finding the banana peel, the banana inside already eaten, in my hand.

My sister came up to me, confused at my blank expression. “What happened?” she asked. I kept silent. “Princess” monkey looked at me and winked.

“Let’s just say,” I started to say, smiling faintly at the monkey in the cage. “I went to the West.”

A New Journey to the West

St Margaret's Co-educational English Secondary & Primary School, Keogh, Rebecca – 8

It was another day in China, but this day was a bit more interesting. Xuanzang wanted to study more about Buddhism. But this time he went even further into the west, and he needed to kill even more demons than last time. Luckily on the last journey he met three unexpected people or creatures: Sun Wukong, Zhu Bajie and Sha Wujing. Xuanzang found them and told them what he wanted to do. So they set off to find even better Buddhism books than last time.

The demons they met were not like stray floating around demons, they were leader demons or boss demons! And they were not so easy to kill. You need to kill them with the right object or powers.

The first demon they met was on a mountain, and this demon was an animal demon. It was a snake demon with her little snake minions. This snake minion should be defeated by the right powers and because it is cold blooded it does not like the cold. So, Sun Wukong froze the snake demon and stepped on the snake demon's little minions.

The next demon was not like the first, and this demon did not have any minions. It lived in a tall grass field, and this demon was a bit weird. This demon was a slug demon and it could shoot poison out of its mouth. Also when the slug started moving it left a sticky trail behind and the slime of the slug is poisonous. So, back to the story. The way to kill the slug demon is with an object. The slug demon can only be killed by any kind of rake except a one-toothed rake. So, without even thinking, Zhu Bajie raked away all the poison just like leaves and used the extra poison on his rake to poison the slug demon.

After killing the slug demon and walking 10km, they reached a long river called the Ganges River. It is not easy to cross but Sha Wujing used his small gourd which can become huge to cross the river. And he did. It was like crossing a long pond when you are big. After crossing the Ganges River, they could see an 11km tall and 10km wide stone building. They all guessed that the stone building was the place with the best Buddhism books. But in front of it was something they did not notice at first – a huge demon. And this demon was not any sort of demon, this was the god of demons. However, this demon can easily be killed by people who worked in heaven and were punished and sent to earth, or any type of animal king. If you weren't any of these you would just be killed by anything the god of demons uses. After the fight, Xuanzang can finally get his books and bring them back to China.

A New Challenge

St Margaret's Co-educational English Secondary & Primary School, Li, Chloe – 8

One stormy night when the monk Xuanzang was asleep, he dreamed his mother said to him, “My dear son, I’ve left a treasure in a faraway desert, and I want you to get it. But beware of evil things, even though I sent someone to protect you. Goodbye.”

After he woke, Xuanzang started his journey straight away. When he walked past a mountain, he suddenly heard somebody crying. He followed the sound and went into a cave. A strange feeling came to him, and he said to himself, “If I am in the desert, how come there are icicles on the ceiling?” Suddenly the floor and the ceiling started to compress. The monk saw that they were not icicles, they were daggers that shone in the darkness! When the monk was about to give up all hope, a little girl suddenly grabbed his clothes and pulled him out of the cave before he was trapped.

The monk asked her, “Who are you? Why did you save me?”

The little girl replied, “Somebody told me you’re going to find treasure. There will be lots of evil things trying to kill you, so me and my friends need to protect you.”

“Who are your friends?” the monk asked.

The little girl said, “I’m Ashley, and my friends are Violet, Liberty and Wengie. We have magic powers. We are going to help you on your journey.”

The next day, they started their journey together. They stopped for a rest, and Violet went to a river to get a drink. Suddenly, a big slimy dragon jumped out from the river and grabbed Violet. She screamed for help. Liberty shouted, “This dragon is called Zaxrok, he is very strong and powerful but he is afraid of the cold, because the wind will burn his eyes and turn him into stone!”

Wengie waved her wand then said a magic spell. In a flash a giant typhoon drilled down the water. The dragon jumped out of the water begging, “Please send the typhoon away, I will give the girl back to you. Please don’t kill me!”

The monk said in a calm voice, “Since you returned the girl I’ll let you be free, but if any of us got hurt I would not be merciful.”

After they started their journey again, they suddenly saw that everything had gone very weird. The cacti started dancing, the sand started making strange noises. They realised they were seeing demons’ illusions.

The monk didn’t have special powers but he had a very wise brain, so he shouted, “Don’t you know that illusions are made by unhappy thoughts? Why don’t we think of something calm, peaceful and happy?”

The girls tried to follow his advice. Believe it or not it actually worked! After the illusions stopped, they saw the treasure room. The monk found a scroll. He opened it and read it aloud.

“Dear son, congratulations for using the precious treasures of teamwork, cooperation and confidence to get here with the girls. Lots of love, Mum”

A Mysterious Night

St Margaret's Co-educational English Secondary & Primary School, Membrey, Kaydyn – 8

It was a foggy and windy night. I shivered as I was getting ready for bed and startled as a branch rattled against my window. As I walked towards my bed lightning flashed behind me with loud thunder not far behind. I sighed and turned round to close the curtains.

Just as I was pulling them together I spotted a cloud coming towards me. Strange though that was, it was even stranger when I saw someone standing on it. When that creature came closer, I recognised him immediately as the Monkey King from the movie I watched last night! He said to me, "I know everything right now makes no sense to you, but I really need your help."

"But ... why ...?" I stuttered.

"No time for questions now! I will explain everything on the way," urged the Monkey King.

"But it's the middle of the night! You know humans need at least eight hours of sleep!" I grumbled.

The Monkey King swung me over onto his shoulder and before I knew it, we arrived at this dark and scary forest. After we landed on the ground, I heard a snarling voice – and then a ferocious, hungry-looking demon came charging towards us! The Monkey King very skilfully navigated his cloud and flew up in the air and distracted the demon, then he threw his bow and arrow to me and I grabbed it just in time to shoot the demon.

"We need your help to defeat the demon king because he created a portal that can travel between different worlds, and he is going to send his army to kill us and get the Monk's flesh. They believe it can make them immortal!" said the Monkey King.

"I thought that only happens in the movie! This can't be real!" I said in surprise.

"Oh trust me, this is all truly very real!" the Monkey King replied.

While I still couldn't believe how I managed to shoot the demon with my new found courage, we had no time to spare but continued our journey to find this demon king's base. The Monkey King shrank us and put me on his palm as we flew off. He then used his laser-vision to detect any demon aura coming from the mountain ahead of us.

There were demon guards everywhere patrolling the entrance. The demon guards had fangs dripping with blood, and on top of their head a skull helmet.

"I know you will come in handy! How about I distract the demons while you go in and break the portal?" asked the Monkey King.

I fiddled around the portal panel and screamed at the top of my lungs, "Run! The portal is going to explode!"

The Monkey King thanked me. "I will take it from here, thank you very much for your assistance this time!"

I waved goodbye as the Monkey King blew me onto his cloud and I got sent home.

"Jack! It's time for school now! Wake up!" Mom urged me out of bed.

I smiled and looked at the sky as I jumped up.

The Encounter with Ksher–Rakshasa

St Margaret's Co-educational English Secondary & Primary School, Nair, Aditya – 8

Xuanzang, Sun Wukong, Zhu Bajie and Sha Wujing were making their way towards the eastern part of India in search of the Markandeya–samvada, the Buddhist sutras of good living. During the previous night, the demoness Vishakanya dressed up as a celestial beauty and distracted Zhu Bajie from following the right path, and she misled them to an extremely dangerous forest called Sundarbans which was full of man–eating demons.

As the sun dawned, Xuanzang and Sun Wukong realised the trickery and noted the immediate danger that lay ahead of them. As they were slowly trudging across the densest part of Sundarbans next to a fast flowing river, they came across an old tiger who was lying on the side of the trail with his tail blocking their path. As they were about to walk over the tail, the tiger in a frail voice said, “You cannot walk over this poor tiger’s tail. It will bring you bad luck. You will need to answer this riddle to move my tail: My friend lies on this path who can be smaller than the smallest and bigger than the biggest. Who is he?”

While Xuanzang was thinking of the answer, Sun Wukong realized that the tiger was none other than the feared demon Ksher–rakshasa. Sun Wukong also knew that answering the riddle would not be enough to pass this task, so he whispered something into the ear of Sha Wujing. Xuanzang spoke politely, “Dear old tiger, your friend is your own shadow. An ant’s shadow can be smaller than the ant and an elephant’s shadow can be bigger than the elephant. Would you please let us go on our journey now?”

The old tiger smiled and said, “Congratulations for solving my riddle and as a present you will only have to fight me. If you had not answered it correctly, then you would have had to fight all my other demon friends too.” The old tiger had already transformed himself into the mighty Ksher–rakshasa.

Anticipating this trickery Sun Wukong, who had already taken sand in his arms, threw it into the eyes of Ksher–rakshasa and urged the others to escape. Sha Wujing, as Sun Wukong had earlier whispered to him, had already made a big boat and ushered Xuanzang and Zhu Bajie into the boat to travel along the mighty river quickly. By the time Ksher–rakshasa cleared the sand out of his eyes, only Sun Wukong was left and the other three were making their way out of Sundarbans along the river. Further, Sun Wukong had used his powers of illusion to create thousands of copies of himself, so Ksher–rakshasa had to figure out which illusion was the true Sun Wukong.

Ksher–rakshasa started eagerly devouring the illusions which were as empty as his own shadow but by this time Sun Wukong had transformed himself into a bird and was flying out of Sundarbans to join his companions. As they left, they could hear a mighty roar of disappointment and they were happy to live another day.

A Journey to the Future

St Margaret's Co-educational English Secondary & Primary School, Sjalii, Amabelle – 8

Almost 1400 years ago there were four friends: Xuanzang the Monk who is wise, Sun Wukong the Monkey King who is powerful, Zhu Bajie the Pig who is tolerant and Sha Wujing the Sand Priest who is loyal. One day, they went on an adventure in the western forest. After walking for half a day, they ate a delicious meal and felt full and sleepy, so they decided to take a rest.

After a while, they suddenly woke up, because there was a very loud sound of thunder and very strong wind. They were all terrified and scattered into different directions. The Monk went north, the Monkey King went south, the Pig went east and the Sand Priest went west.

Later the Pig called everyone and only the Monk didn't respond. The Monkey King said, "That can only mean one thing: our master is gone!" The Sand Priest said, "Quick, we must find our master. He could be in trouble!"

The three friends shouted and searched for the Monk in the forest. They found a cave where there was a big box with doors and a light. They were curious so they went in, but suddenly the door closed by itself. They panicked as the box started to shake and the light blinked. They finally opened the doors and realised that they were now at the top of a hill! The Sand Priest said, "Look! There are some people inside a flying box, let's go there, we may find our master!" It was actually a cable car, and they rode it to its destination. Soon they arrived in the small village at the peak. The Monkey King said, "I don't where we are, but let's just go out and search for our master."

They agreed to follow. They searched and searched. Many people came over to see them and one person recognised them as the characters from the movie 'Journey to The West'. The Monkey King asked, "Where are we and what year is it now?" All the people cried, "This is Ngong Ping village on Lantau Island. It is 2018!" The Pig fainted since it was almost 1400 years after they lost their master. The friends realised that the box they found in the cave was a time machine!

After looking around for some time, they saw a statue of the Buddha. It was gigantic.

The Monkey King said, "I'm scared the Buddha might get mad at us because we lost the Monk."

The Pig said, "Look! I think I know where our master is! Come closer!" The Pig pointed to the statue. They saw the Monk worshipping in front of it!

The Sand Priest said, "Hmmm ... how can we get him without interrupting his prayer?" They carried the monk and put him in the cable car while he was still praying. They went inside the time machine and travelled back to ancient China. They shared their experience on the way back to their home together. They will never forget this amazing adventure.

A Journey to the West of Hong Kong

St Margaret's Co-educational English Secondary & Primary School, Truong, Cameron – 8

One beautiful day in Sai Kung, the Monkey King, the Sand Priest and the Pig woke up from their slumber. To their surprise, Xuanzang, the trio's mentor, was missing! They looked around for clues and after a while, the Monkey King found a map that a demon had accidentally dropped. They analysed the map for clues and figured that the demons would eat Xuanzang one week later which was the demon's Thanksgiving, providing them immortality. The demon had taken Xuanzang and kept him captive in a dark cave in Lantau Island. The trio set out on a mission to rescue their mentor. They followed the map for one day and one night and got very hungry. The next day, they were woken by the aroma of KFC and Starbucks coffee. They followed their nose in the opposite direction of the map into Fanling, which was full of pretty demon ladies. The demons disguised as ladies welcomed the trio to enjoy a big feast. Normally the Monkey King has powers to identify demons in disguise but he was so hungry his powers were paralysed. The Pig was so distracted by the pretty ladies, he wanted to marry them and stay there forever. When they were full, the Money King's power returned and he realised that the ladies were in fact demons. He quickly zapped them with his time-freeze ability before dragging both his friends away. After the detour, the friends headed towards Lantau Island once again. When they reached Tsuen Wan, they were challenged with a sea of demon sharks that prevented them from swimming across to Lantau Island. The Sand Priest magically turned his gourd into a raft so that the three friends can cross the sea. As they ventured on, the cheeky Monkey King spotted Disneyland and ran off to play on the Toy Soldiers Parachute Drop ride. He called for his friends to play with him but they were too scared to go on the ride. Little did he know, the demons had tampered with the mechanical ride. The Monkey King was thrown off when the parachute jammed at its highest point and he was sent flying through the air. Luckily the Pig reacted fast and lay down to break the monkey's fall with his soft bloated belly. They didn't dare to go on another ride. The group journeyed west and soon arrived at Lantau Island's cave where Xuanzang was held captive. They tried to look for the key silently, but a demon spotted them and summoned ten other demons to help battle. They quickly devised a plan. First, the Pig will use his nine-toothed rake to knock the demons dizzy. Then the Monkey King will freeze the demons while the Sand Priest looks for the key and releases Xuanzang. In battle, their plan worked out perfectly and together they locked the demons inside the cave. Xuanzang praised the trio for saving him and they all realised that teamwork was the key to success in their rescue mission.

New Journey to the West

St Stephen's College Preparatory School, Fong, Ethan – 7

After getting the Buddhist's sacred texts, Tang Xuanzang and his three disciples – Sun Wukong the Monkey King, Zhu Bajie the Monk Pig and Sha Wujing the Friar Sand felt extremely bored, so they decided to form a Buddhist football team to promote Buddhism. They chose football for the origins of this game lie in China.

At the first few matches, they encountered a few problems: Monkey King insisted on using his seventy-two transformations trick to hit the other players in the games so he always ended up with a red card, Monk Pig and Friar Sand kept on arguing about the strategies, Tang Xuanzang had no control on his team and could only mumble the contents of the Buddhist's sacred texts on the sidelines. The team was a joke.

They decided to get help from the professionals. Instead of using the White Horse, they took a plane to England to meet with a few famous footballers and coach. David Beckham taught Monkey King how to cross the ball. He also shared his bad experience of receiving a red card for kicking Diego Simone at the 1998 World Cup. Beckham kept reminding Monkey King to stay calm in the game and learn from his mistake. Gareth Bale put Monk Pig on a strict diet so he could run faster in the game. Bale was also kind enough to explain the strategies to Monk Pig. Ryan Giggs taught Friar Sand how to become an assist king. Sir Alex Ferguson shared his tricks on how to control and encourage the football players during the game to Tang Xuanzang. At the end of the training, the teachers gave the team one piece of advice : “There is no I in team.”

After the training, the team played much better and finally got to the Chinese Super League final where they played against Guangzhou Evergrande Taobao F.C.. At the match, Monkey King passed the ball to Friar Sand. Friar Sand blasted it right into the goal. The Evergrande team equalized at half time. At the end of the match, Monkey King was tackled by the goalkeeper, so his team was rewarded with a free kick. Monkey King was nervous but he did the free kick which David Beckham taught him. The fans went crazy when the ball hit the back of the net.

The team won the championship of Chinese Super League! The team's next goal is the World Cup 2018 in Russia.

Go West

St Stephen's College Preparatory School, Gouw, Carla – 6

Once upon a time, there was a 10-year-old girl called Xiao Wei. She lived in China with her parents and her big sister. She was a brave girl with a love for adventure. She dreamt about travelling to faraway cities.

One morning, she was late for school. When she arrived, she found that her whole school was trapped under a bubble made out of super strong turquoise slime! She wanted to rescue them but she didn't know how. Suddenly, she heard her teacher's voice shouting through the bubble, "Go west! Go west! Get the secret code from the Indian emperor!" So she started to go west following her compass. But it wasn't enough – she needed a map. She didn't know what to do, and sat outside the zoo next to her school thinking about this.

Suddenly, she heard an oink. A pink pig was behind her. "Hello, young lady, you look like you need some help!" said the pig. "Yes, please! Do you know how to get to the Indian emperor?" asked Xiao Wei, glad that the pig could help her. "Let me call my animal friends to help. There's Monkey, who is clever and full of tricks. There's Horse, who can gallop and you can sit on her back!" "Thank you, that is a great idea!" Woomph! The animals appeared suddenly. They climbed on Horse's back. Horse galloped away into the sky, and something that looked like rainbow jelly flew out of Horse's tail like a rocket!

Then bam! They landed in a strange place, in front of a beautiful palace. "Welcome to India!" said Pig. Monkey said, "This is the Indian Emperor's Palace!" So they went in and found themselves in a fancy dining room with candles and chandeliers. The Emperor was having a dinner party and said, "Who are you, young lady?" Xiao Wei said shyly, "I am Xiao Wei, and these are my animal helpers Pig, Monkey and Horse." Then the Indian Emperor said, "Very well, what do you want?" She said, "Can you please give us the secret code?" "Well, of course. Good bye." said the Emperor. So Xiao Wei got the code wrapped in turquoise silky paper. She climbed back onto Horse's back with Pig and Monkey, and woomph! They arrived outside the school gate. The school was still trapped in the bubble. So she got out the code and shouted it out, "2-8-5-1-0-0!" WHOOSH – the bubble collapsed. Her teacher and classmates rushed out and hugged her. She said thank you to Pig, Horse and Monkey. They waved and flew away on Horse's back.

That night, before she fell asleep, she thought about her amazing journey, and the three animals that helped her. They were so kind and helpful, and didn't ask for anything back. No fighting or anger at each other. Friendship should be like that!

New Adventures

St. Paul's Co-educational College Primary School, Cho, Tz Fung – 10

Xuanzang was riding on his white dragon horse going to the west, with his loyal and brave companions Monkey King Sun Wukong, Zhu Bajie and Sha Wujing beside him. The white dragon horse of Xuanzang suddenly stopped with a sharp scream. They were all shocked to see that the clear sky turned into complete darkness in just one second. A beam came from the sky and an image of a big Guanyin appeared in front of them. At this moment, Wukong found out Xuanzang and his friends were frozen still. Guanyin said to Wukong, “The penguins are in great danger! The Evil Master Shark has hidden a powerful bomb in the iceberg. Their lives are counting on you. You only have forty minutes before the bomb explodes!”

In the “blink” of an eye, the sky turned blue and they began to thaw. Wukong told his friends about the mission and off they went.

On the way to their destination, they had to cross the Antarctic Ocean. When they were diving into the ocean, a horrible blue and black creature appeared. It was the Evil Master Shark! He opened his jaws widely and tried to bite Xuanzang and his friends. Wukong immediately took his new rod out of his ear and pressed a button. “ZAP!” It turned into an electric rod! He swam nearer to the Evil Master Shark and zapped his head. “OUCH!” screamed the shark and he tried to hit Zhu Bajie with his tail. Zhu Bajie saw it and used his iron rake to scratch the Evil Master Shark’s tail while Sha Wujing kept hitting his stomach. The Evil Master Shark used its last weapons ---- The evil little sharks! Twenty of them swam towards Xuanzang and thirty of them swam towards Zhu Bajie and Sha Wujing. Wukong pressed another button on his rod. “CRACK!” It became 99 Sun Wukongs! 50 Sun Wukongs went to help Zhu Bajie and Sha Wujing. The remaining 49 helped the real Sun Wukong to protect Xuanzang. At last, the Evil Master Shark was defeated. They only have fifteen minutes left! Wukong chanted a spell and the 99 Sun Wukongs went back together into his rod. He shrank the rod and put it back into his ear. They continued swimming to the South.

When they reached Antarctica, they saw 3 icebergs. The one in the middle was light blue with a black dot in it. The other two were white. Wukong went closer to them and saw some numbers on the dot in the middle one. “01:00” “Uh-oh! The bomb is there and is going to explode in one minute!” exclaimed Wukong. He took his rod out of his ear and pressed a button “FLASH!” It became a bomb expert. He is called Samuel. He took a hammer out and asked, “Where is the bomb?” Wukong said, “It is in the iceberg in the middle.” Samuel used his hammer to smash the iceberg and took the bomb out. “00:15” “Mission Completed!” They all shouted happily and continued their adventure to the west.

True Meaning of Sharing

St. Paul's Co-educational College Primary School, Lee, Kwan Yiu – 8

My name was Xuanzang, and I was a very poor monk living in a small temple in Hong Kong. Buddha Bathing Festival was coming, I wanted to go to Tianzhu in India to borrow the famous “Three Collections of Buddhist Scriptures.” I wanted to put them in my temple to show to my followers and attracted more people to learn about Buddhism.

When I was planning my journey, I found out that many monks from other temples also wanted to go there and borrowed the famous scripture too! To prevent other people to recognize me, I put on a wig, T-shirt and trousers, and pretended to be a tourist. I wanted to be the first people to get there and borrow the scripture secretly. In order to be the fastest person to arrive Tianzhu and borrow the scripture, I used all my money to buy an air ticket and left immediately.

When I arrived Tianzhu, I found out that a lot of monks already arrived the temple. The abbot of the temple came out and talked to them. One of the monk said, “May you borrow the famous scripture to me? I can give you a lot of money.” Another monk said, “Please borrow the scripture to me, I can give you more money.” Then I thought, “Oh no! I have used up all my money to buy the air ticket. What should I do? I have no money to pay the abbot.” The abbot answered them, “all of you go away, I will not rent the famous scripture to you all!” then he went back inside the temple angrily.

I pretended to be a tourist and followed the abbot into the temple. I said to him, “I am sorry that I have no money because I am very poor and I use all my money to buy the air ticket to here. I want to borrow the famous scripture because I want my followers to learn more about Buddhism and attract more people to believe our religion. I have a suggestion. How about I share the scripture with other monks and put it into different temples every day? In this way, a lot of followers and other people can learn the wisdom in the scripture. I think this is the best way to benefit most people.” The abbot said, “although you do not look like a monk, you are a real monk. I do not want any money, I only want the scripture to benefit most people and let them know more in Buddhism. I will borrow the scripture to you.” I was very happy and took the scripture back to my temple. I kept my promise and borrowed the scripture to different temples every day and let them teach their followers.

One month later, I travelled back to Tianzhu and returned the scripture to the abbot. I told him that many people were very happy to read the scripture and believed in Buddhism. The abbot smiled to me and said that he was very happy to hear this than having a lot of money.

Last but not least, “The more you share unconditionally what others most need, the more you will receive what you most want.”

New Journeys to the West

The Independent Schools Foundation Academy, Liu, Adelyne – 7

We could see the shape of grand Potala Palace in the horizon. We were approaching Lhasa. In the jeep, sat me and my teammates Miranda, Channing, and Angela. Our multi-talented robot, XPY (XiaoPengYou, meaning “little friend”), was behind the wheel.

It was about half way of our journey to the West. We were on the mission to retrieve the ancient Buddhist scriptures from Nalanda Buddha’s Temple in India. Since leaving Xian two weeks ago, we ventured through Jiu Zai Gou. An earthquake and mud slide turned this tranquil paradise into living hell. Thanks to XPY’s superior Navigation program, we were led through falling trees to safety. In the Gobi Desert, XPY spotted the quick sand and warned us just in time so that we didn’t get swallowed up by sand. It had been a hair raising experience so far!

We had to find a thousand-year-old Tibetan monastery in Lhasa and receive two important gifts from a ninety-year-old Lama. With the help of my GPS, we found the old Lama timely. He gave us the map of a secret tunnel hidden at the foot of Himalayas. The tunnel would lead us to the other side of the highest mountain of the world. He also gave us a small bamboo box and we promised not to open it until we reached the Buddha’s Temple. Channing volunteered to keep it in his backpack.

We sent out our drone to spot the hidden secret tunnel. In a flash, we went through the Himalayas .

Soon we were in front of Ganga River. The waves were more than two meters high. They rolled forward with fierce roars and crushed almost anything in their way. We looked everywhere, but saw no bridges nor boats.

Just then, Angela heard the singing of a girl. Following the songs, we found a little Indian girl and she led us to her grandfather. It seemed they had been waiting for us. They gave us special hover boards. We rode them across the giant river without even getting our feet wet!

After trekking through the jungles, we finally arrived at Nalanda. Surprised, the entrance of the Buddha’s Temple was guarded by vicious looking tigers! There was no way to get through. What was worse, once spotting us, they started moving toward us!

"The bamboo box, Channing, quick!" I cried at the top of my voice.

"I couldn't find it!?!?!!" Channing panicked.

Everyone started to search for the box frantically.

“HERE!!!!” Miranda found it in her bag. Somehow she had switched backpacks with Channing without knowing it.

I opened the bamboo box with my trembling hands and shouted out the writings inside as loud as I could: “BALABALAMACHUKOO!”

Suddenly all the tigers fell into sleep. We tiptoed into the Temple.

There, in the middle of the great hall, laid a cabinet, where we found what we came for...

MISSION ACCOMPLISHED!!! Alas, and we filled the grand temple with our joyful cries!

Time Travel to the West

Victoria Shanghai Academy, Chan, Alvyn – 7

May was walking on the ground.

May was digging in the ground when her hands stumbled upon a rock. Her eyes were fixed on it, for it glowed like nothing she had ever seen.

Then suddenly a light flashed. The wind blew hard on her face and she was spinning. She suddenly found herself in a desert, alone. She had been sent back in time.

May was walking in the sand, when suddenly a chariot came on her path and almost rolled over her. She lied down on the sand and clung onto the bottom of the chariot for dear life. Suddenly, a door opened and someone lifted her up to where a monkey, a pig, and a sand buggy were sitting. The “someone” said: “Would you like to join us?” May said: “um.... okay.”

The chariot rocked back and forth. May was beginning to feel chariot sick: she started to look green.

The chariot finally stopped for it seemed like a million years. She got off like she was a hundred years old. She looked around, finding herself in a village she had never seen in her whole life. She didn’t even know where this country was!

May and the animals, the sand buggy and the man walked through the town. Now, they were in forest. The forest was damp and dark.

Suddenly when she was walking, she found herself alone in the forest.

She heard a rustling from the bushes. She looked at the bushes. Nothing.

She continued walking. She saw some paw prints on the ground. Nothing.

Then, she saw a gleaming eye. She looked in the bushes. Nothing.

She continued walking. Suddenly she heard a roar and a tiger jumped out. She ran and ran, but the tiger kept chasing her here and there.

She saw a bush. She jumped in it and felt something, something sharp.

She looked at it. It was a sword.

She looked around. The tiger seemed nowhere near. But little did she know, the tiger was in the bush behind her.

She ran out of the bush. Suddenly she bumped into the sand buggy and landed in the sand buggy’s seat. Then she heard the man say: “We are going to find a scroll and translate it. By the way, we are in India in the year 2AD.”

After walking (or riding in the sand buggy’s seat) for two days, the man suddenly said: “we are here!”

“I found the script!” said the pig. “Let’s see... it says all Buddhists need to be strong and smart and need to know Indian.”

At this time May finally helped the man translate the scroll from Indian to English.

The Fight for Fredrik

Victoria Shanghai Academy, Chan, Joshua – 7

In the beauty of Denmark, monks are sitting by the peaceful waterfall and telling pranks and jokes with their friends and family. Some monks enjoyed their peacefulness. The emperor kept the money to himself and when they had nap, he soon started to get more greedy and greedy and greedy about the monks in his country and soon the monks are in great danger.

While he was dreaming, unexpectedly, an enormous volcano erupted and the monks were scared, so they were evacuated by the police force. Few minutes after they have left, the emperor roared, Now, the land is mine. Hahahaha!

After the volcano finished erupting, they came back. Federik didn't come back because he was exploring the woods to find the magical herbs of Germany due to the eruption of the volcano. Unexpectedly, THUD! A metal detector struck in the middle of the woods and the plains falling from the heavens to detect the lawbreakers that were stealing the jewellery of Germany. "For heaven's sake, what is that?" murmured Federik. As soon he heard it growing higher and higher, he emerged as quickly as possible, but the still it grew higher and higher. Suddenly, it stopped growing and lights and fire surrounded the scene and he thought to himself, "It's the demon lord." He was ready for the battle, so he swung my sword and started striking towards the air. SHIIIIIIING! His sword touched the opponents' army.

Lost!

Victoria Shanghai Academy, Chan, Pearly – 7

Monkey King silently raced through the dark and scary woods. He was having a walk. He was thinking how good his master treated him...

But wait...where was his master?

Thinking that his master was lost in the forest, monkey king went to his master's house to get weapons and go back.

He might be captured by an evil demon or something, thought Monkey king. He went to his master's room to get a backpack to put all the weapons. And...

His master was asleep on his bed! Monkey king was relieved that his master was safe. He knew that the pig and the friar were camping in his master's house, so he tiptoed into the room that should have the pig...but to his surprise, he saw nobody. The same with the friar. When he entered the friar's room, he also saw nobody.

He couldn't see anyone he knew. He tried to find them by picking up a scent he knew, but couldn't...Then he picked up a scent he didn't know and, being curious, followed the smell. He followed until he saw there was a door guarding the scent. He silently stood for a long time. The rug beneath him held its breath. The walls watching without blinking.

Monkey king finally tried to peek under the door, nothing.

No matter how hard he tried, he could not see what was behind the door. Then he heard a whistling sound behind it. He stared blankly at the door, he slowly walked backward.

Then bumped into something furry. Monkey king turned around, nobody. Then a cloud of dust blocked his eyes, he couldn't see a thing! When the dust cleared, he found himself in a small and strange place...suddenly, without warning, it sprang up and grabbed monkey king with his big, hairy claws.

The demon king.

He felt pale with fright. He felt as if he was a frozen iceberg in Antarctica. Then he ran around and around with the demon king behind him.

When he had already ran five laps, he noticed the walls started to disappear.

Cold air ran into the room. Then he saw his friends and his master sliding...they were frozen!

He slid them quickly near a fire and pushed a table to hide them. They started to thaw, monkey king felt a fish bone breath hover above them.

Monkey king held his friends and his master tight and together they survived a huge swallow.

When monkey king was inside the demon king. He cuddled with his friends and his master whispered "All we have to do is think of a plan to get out, and find the scrolls.

They thought and thought. But nothing came to their minds...Suddenly, a mosquito flew near the demon king's nose, he sneezed and it slipped into his mouth.

The scrolls!

They read the scrolls and then they all broke into smiles. This is the happiest day of my life though monkey king.

The True Story of the Journey to the West

Victoria Shanghai Academy, Cheung, Vanessa – 8

There once lived a monk named Xuanzang. He wanted to learn the truth of Buddhism and to share it far and wide throughout China. During that time, the kings were very greedy and treated the people harshly. They made the villagers pay high taxes and gave them little food. Xuanzang was sad about that, so he decided to go to Nalanda, India, that legendary school of Buddhism in the West.

After a few days, Xuanzang and his newfound horse arrived at a nearby village to get more refreshments. The day was extremely cold, so Xuanzang reached in his pockets to keep his hands warm. Suddenly, he felt something warm and small inside his pocket.

He fished the thing out, and when he realized what it was, he gasped. “Can it talk?” Xuanzang asked in wonder. The grasshopper had soon woken up and it began to talk. “Hello!” the grasshopper babbled on and on. Though Xuanzang really wanted to leave the grasshopper alone in the wild, he missed the feeling of other people speaking with him, so he kept it. Xuanzang finally found names for them and named the grasshopper ‘Wukong’ and the horse ‘Yulong’.

The trio had faced many dangers at this time. They had to hike up freezing mountains, face dangerous sandstorms, and travel along the main road, which was always filled with sneaky gangsters always trying to steal people’s valuable possessions. Days turned into weeks, and weeks turned into months. Then months turned into years. Along the road, Xuanzang had met many people including rich kings, greedy princesses, and good-hearted slaves. Now Xuanzang had a loyal friend to help him; His Majesty The King of Hackracke, King Beardo Co, and along with his daughter, Princess Caira Co, and their court.

Four years of hard journeying had passed, and everyone had finally reached Nalanda, India. The new monk was greeted formally by the other monks, and Xuanzang bowed down before the very old holy Buddhist teacher. He studied hard for ten long years and eventually became the best student there.

One peaceful morning, Xuanzang realized it was time to go home. As everyone rode on horses back to the village, Xuanzang clutched his monk bead necklace tightly. Suddenly, he heard the coming of a ranging avalanche! Startled, Xuanzang dropped his necklace. Wukong noticed his fallen necklace, and rushed to pick it up. Unfortunately for the grasshopper, just when he had jumped off Yulong, the avalanche had crashed on it. Xuanzang turned around, witnessing the sad loss, sniffed quietly with sadness. With a heavy heart, Xuanzang turned his gaze from his poor dead grasshopper and his precious necklace crushed in the avalanche and now stuck in an ice block. He galloped towards the rest of the court on Yulong, gaining speed quickly, since Yulong was a fast horse. After another three long years of travelling, they finally reached Xuanzang’s hometown in the small village. Xuanzang managed to spread the truth of Buddhism throughout China.

The Four Great Challenges

Victoria Shanghai Academy, Choi, Marcus – 7

Rock monkey king named Sun Wu Kong who learnt 72 tricks and think he was the best. The rock monkey went to heaven caused a lot of trouble and made every god angry. One day he pee on a strange looking rock and suddenly the sky turned dark and thunder roaring! “How dare you pissed on my head! Rock monkey!” Sun thought it was funny. “Your hair was too short Buddha, so I watering them.” Then the Buddha punished Sun by trapping him under the mountain and 500 years had passed...

Sun Wu Kong saw a monk passed by one day and he asked for his help. “Please release me and I will follow you master.” Sun said. The master’s name was Xuan Zang and he remembered God told him before that he would meet a monkey that will help him to get the holy book from the west. So he nodded his head and Sun was free. On their way they met a pig in a farm and a friar lifting weights under the sea. The team headed to the west in search of the holy book from the Buddha.

They walked and walked and met a lot of monsters that always wanted to eat master Xuan Zang. But each time Sun saved the whole team and finally arrived the temple of the West. The Buddha was there already so they asked where was the holy book? The Buddha said, “Go and search the library. You will find the holy book.” But guards at the library tricked them by hiding the book and they said, “Search the Book inside!” So they went in the library to search and search but no luck. They went to the Gods and they said: “Yes we will help you to get the book but you will have to get pass of four final challenges.”

The first challenge was eating. They chose Pig. Pig ate one thousand fruits in thirty minutes and God said “Past!” then the second challenge was mind power. They chose Sun. Sun got 2000 out of 2000 points for picking who the monster is. Buddha said ‘Past!’ Then, the third challenge was weight lifting. They chose friar. Friar left up twenty stones at a time. Then Buddha said “Past!” then the forth one was singing a holy song. They chose Master Xuan Zang. Then Buddha said ‘Past!’ They all asked:” Where was the book?” Then Buddha said, “If you can connect all four challenges you will find where the holy book is.” Sun quickly thought that the garden outside the library had many fruit trees and stones, and there was a stone monster singing in the garden. So he knew the book must be there!

Finally, they got the holy book and opened it. “What? It is a vegetarian cook book?” Master Xuan Zang cried. “Now you can use the book to teach monsters to cook delicious veggies and not eat you!”

Journey to the West

Victoria Shanghai Academy, Graff, Eric – 9

The monk Tang Shang was quietly reading the ancient scrolls that the Buddha had given to him outside the Temple of the Ancestors. Suddenly he heard an ear piercing scream. He immediately ran into the temple and saw his friend lying on the floor motionless. At dinner all the monks were still muttering about this terrifying incident. The head abbot pleaded with everyone to quiet down and said we all know about what happened today. Other members of our order have also reported deaths of monks around the globe and we think those responsible are searching for the ancient scrolls. Suddenly there was an explosion and a huge crack appeared in the ceiling. The fire in the hearth crackled and a deep evil voice boomed, “You will never know who I am and you will all be destroyed.” The monks were petrified and decided they needed to send the scrolls to a kingdom far away. Five of the bravest among them were selected to embark on this dangerous quest. Among them was Tang Shang. He knew millions of lives would be saved if they succeeded but if they failed they would probably not only die horribly but monsters would be free to roam the world unchallenged. The brave monks decided to first stop at the village of Huangshan where they would spend the night. The plan was to reach the kingdom the following day. They traveled through steep canyons and raging rivers. When they finally arrived at the village they saw hundreds of wounded people lying on the ground. The monks now knew that the evil entity was following them and would stop at nothing to destroy them. The next day they left Huangshan. Everything was very quiet and peaceful at first but suddenly the earth shook and the ground right in front of them exploded and dozens of the scariest monsters imaginable crawled out of the hole and advanced towards them. They bravely slashed and defended against blows but one monk was stabbed and fell. The battle was finally won and but it was dark when they arrived at the bottom of the mountain which was the only thing between them and their destination. The next morning they woke up to the sound of a scream and they saw that one monk had a knife in his head. The other monks were horrified and immediately started climbing the mountain but one lost his footing and fell off the cliff and died. The remaining monks continued ascending. They climbed over the summit of the mountain and stared at the kingdom below. The view was incredible but there was no time to waste so they began to cautiously descend. Walking slowly through the kingdom, their hearts beat faster and faster. As they reached the gates of the castle a ear piercing scream rang out from behind the door. Their hands shook with fear and sweat dripped from their faces as they turned the knob and pushed opened the door.

Diary of a Time Traveler

Victoria Shanghai Academy, Lee, Erin – 7

Ashley smiled as she flipped through the pages of her new book. The pages pleaded to be opened. Suddenly, a terrifying whirlwind strangled her and dragged her through the window and swept her out!

She looked around and saw Sun Wukong, Zhu Bajie and Sandy beside a mountain. Sun turned around and said, “Are you lost? This place is dangerous; my master, Sanzang has just been captured by a one horned buffalo. Why don’t you go home?” Ashley replied, “I am Ashley, and I was brought here by a whirlwind. I didn’t arrive here on purpose.”

Suddenly a claw grabbed Ashley by the arm. She screamed. This was it.

Sun thought, *Not again! I HATE this terrible beast!!!!!!!!!!!!!!*

The buffalo turned and raced away with Ashley in his claw, but was blocked by the swipe of Sun's cudgel. Ashley was thrown through the air and landed on an awaiting tree, unable to get down. Sun's cudgel swung through the air, trying to hit the buffalo. Suddenly, a bright flash pierced through the air.

Blinded, Sun realized that this was the buffalo’s trick and the demon had vanished.

Sun flew back to Sandy and Bajie, frowning, “I have already used all my strength, but this demon is too much for me. What can we do to rescue Sanzang and Ashley?”

Bajie suggested, “Why don’t we go to seek help from Kuanyin? She will definitely be able to help us.” All believed this was a fabulous idea and headed off to find Kuanyin who lived at the top of the mountain.

When they saw Kuanyin, they explained the troubles that they had and pleaded for her help. Smiling, she flew with them to the cave. The demon suddenly appeared, taunting, “ You just think more people can win more merit? Ha! You are completely wrong! I haven't used my powers for a while, it's going to be quite a show, for heaven and earth tremble with fri-?.....”.

Before the buffalo finished his speech, Kuanyin threw a ring at the demon. The ring immediately attached itself to the buffalo, causing the buffalo to plead for release in great pain. Then Kuanyin said, “Only if you promise to recite the sutras 999 times for a year and release Sanzang and Ashley.” Without thinking, the buffalo agreed.

“Can we see his original form?” Sun asked. The buffalo turned into a colorful macaw and began to recite the sutras obediently.

Then they went into the cave to save Sanzang and Ashley.

When Ashley saw the macaw, she asked if she could bring it home. Sun said, “Sure, but be careful as this is the changed form of the buffalo.”

Suddenly, the whirlwind swept in and dragged Ashley and the macaw in spinning circles. Ashley squeezed her eyes shut. When she opened them, she found that she was back in bed with the macaw.

Ashley smiled as she sat on the bed, petting the singing macaw. Suddenly, she felt the whirlwind tugging. This time, she wasn't scared.

The Magical Book

Victoria Shanghai Academy, Sze, Kristen – 7

“**M**om, do I need to go to school tomorrow? It's not fair! I hate school!” Stephanie complained.

“Honey, let’s talk in the morning. Now read your story and go to bed.” Her mother said and gave her a wink.

Seven-year old Stephanie was not good at expressing herself and was always misunderstood by others. She did not have many friends at school. She hated drama class. She was not good at presenting herself. Everything at school was difficult and miserable! The thought of going to school always dreaded her. She complained to her mother every night. Luckily, she had a very loving mother who always knew how to make Stephanie feel better. Tonight, her mother gave her an old story book. Stephanie blew the dust off and the title in golden letters ‘Journey to the West’ became visible. *So, this is the book mom mentioned that is passed down from generation to generation in the family.* She thought.

She started reading and got up to the chapter about Sun Wukong fighting the bone spirit, but was soon yawning. *This is boring, just like everything else. Why would I like this boring old book?* Stephanie wondered. Right when Stephanie had her mouth wide open during her next yawn, a bright beam of white light shot out from the pages, zapping Stephanie and pulled her into the book!

Stephanie was dumbfounded when she saw herself standing in the middle of the Flower and Fruit Mountain witnessing Sun WuKong fighting the bone spirit. “Wow!” Stephanie exclaimed. “Hiya!” WuKong made the final blow and defeated the bone spirit. But afterwards, Stephanie saw that XuanZang, Wukong’s master, blamed WuKong and sent him away.

She went over to WuKong and asked him what happened. Apparently, WuKong had defeated the bone spirit three times to save XuanZang. However, all his master saw was that WuKong bullied a girl, an old woman and an old man due to the bone spirit’s tricky magic.

“It doesn't matter.” WuKong said. “As long as I did the right thing and my master is safe, I don’t need to worry about what he thinks. He will understand eventually.” “Won’t you be sad and unhappy if he misunderstood you?” Stephanie asked. “As long as you have a pure heart, people will understand. If you worry too much about how people think, life will be difficult and miserable.” Wukong said. Stephanie was touched.

Suddenly, a lightning bolt shot out from nowhere and struck the ground, cracking the ground open. Stephanie fell through.

“Ahhhh!!” Stephanie screamed and woke up. It was morning already. “Are you alright?” Stephanie’s mother barged into her room worriedly. “Mom, I just had the most amazing dream!” Stephanie exclaimed. Her mother’s worried face changed into an understanding one when she saw the family storybook lying next to Stephanie. “I see.” Her mother said with a loving smile.

“So, honey, are you ready for school now?” Her mother asked.

“Yes!” Stephanie jumped off the bed and gave her mother a big hug.

The Magical Journey

Victoria Shanghai Academy, Wen, June -7

In a quiet night ,when Monkey king was dreaming sweetly SUDDENLY, he hear foot stepping nose coming in the window.Monkey king closed his eyes and screamed:“AAAAA.”and the other one screamed too :“AAAAA.”

Monkey king opened his eyes,he saw that it was Xuan zhang; Xuan zhang opened his eyes too, but he wasn't sure if it was Monkey king, so he rub his eyes and look carefully at Monkey king, he saw that it was really him.

They started to argue and Monkey king said:“You scared me!” Xuan zhang said “You scared me as well!”.

SUDDENLY they heard a big loud voice outside the window ,they hug each other and scream.but ...it was just the sky god he said:“Xuan zhang, next time do not go to someone's house when it is midnight.”Then the sun was shining through the windows,“It is morning!”said Monkey king.

And then Monkey king and Xuan zhang went to the forest, they walked far. Finally they saw a little house and they knock at the door, and the door opened. Monkey king and Xuan zhang went inside.

When they came in, they saw so many ghosts and one of them said:“how can I help you?”Monkey king said: “ummmm we want to go to the true spiritual fulfillment kingdom to see the true spiritual fulfillment king”.“oooo ”said the ghost. Monkey king looked so confused.

“ why are you so confused?” asked Xuan zhang, Monkey king said: “it's because I don't know what oooo means.”“Oh, silly oooo means “Sure!” in ghost language .”said Xuan zhang.

“Can I start talking now? ”asked the ghost, “Of course!”Monkey king and Xuan zhang both said together. The ghost said, “If you want to go to the kingdom, you need to go up a green mountain,then go down again , then go up a colorful hill ,then go down again , then cross a river, and a pond, then...”

“ok,ok, ok ,ok! please don't say it so fast .”said monkey king,“ I cannot remember all at the same time.”said Xuan zhang . ”“fine!” said the ghost,“ I will take you there.”So the ghost take them there.

BUT on their way to the kingdom they saw so many little monsters .

Monkey king pull one of his hair and blow it ,and little monkeys came and helped him, he told the little monkeys to fight with him;Xuan zhang used his magic to defeat the smallest monster and the ghost turn himself invisible,so the little monster can't see him.The monster ran away.

They keep walking forwards ,they saw a wide river,“I saw a sparkle Castle in front of us”said Monkey king, “It must be that kingdom .”said Xuan zhang.So Xuan Zhang blowed his whistle then a flying horse came ,he took Monkey king , Xuan zhang and the ghost.

Finally they arrived at the kingdom and found the king , and ... guess what the king knows that Monkey king wants more true spiritual fulfillment, so the king gave him so much spiritual fulfillment. then Monkey king and Xuan went home.

New Journeys to the West

Victoria Shanghai Academy, Wong, Tsz Hang – 8

Once there was 4 monks which together went on a journey to the west to find a lost scroll.

On the first day, they started the journey and left the village. When they are passing a small town, a huge sand monster attacked sun wu kong. Wukong came to fight the monster, but the monster blew sand into his eyes. Piggy came to get wukong to a old man's house, because they know that he had the medicine for eye treatment. After a few hours, they reached the old man's house. The old man gave wukong the medicine. Thank you, wukong said. After wukong ate the medicine, then they went to sleep.

The next day, the 4 monks saw that they were lying on the ground, and the old man and his house were gone, and wukong's eyes were also mended. They continued the journey. When they saw that they were lost in a forest, a huge snake monster attacked the 4 monks. Sun wu kong said, the mountains were calling you. The ferocious monster was not tricked. It lunges out to the other 3 monks. Sun wu kong tried to stop him, but it's too late. The monster already gobbled up the other 3 monks. Sun wu kong lunges out to the snake monster. Wu kong defeated the snake monster with a swipe of his stick. Then he cuts out the monster's body, saving the other 4 monks. Then they continued the journey to the west.

The next day, when the 4 monks are in the desert, a huge earthquake monster appears. The giant monster leaped up to them. Wukong then went to the emperor, which gave him a earthquake proof house. Then wukong went back to the desert, letting his friends go in before the monster strikes. As the earthquake the monster made got larger, the 4 monks were safe. The wukong went out of the house, he defeated the monster by pinning his stick into the monster's body. Then wukong let his friends out of the house, and they continued the journey to the west.

At last, they reached their destination. They found the scroll in a small cave. They've come of a path of monsters, and now it was the end of the journey. All the people cheered for the 4 monks. The emperor was watching, and he gave the 4 monks \$6,000,000. This journey to the west is a great exploration.

The Journey to India

Victoria Shanghai Academy, Yin, Alexis – 8

In a village in China there was a monk called Guanyu. He was a monk, but other monks seemed very brave. He wasn't feeling like a real monk! As soon as he heard about a master who had saved a village from a herd of angry lions, he grabbed his bag put a pot of honey and a bottle of water. He walked out of his temple. He knocked at a door in the village. "I'm going to India. Do you want to come because you're my best friends." A pig and a monkey walked out. "Why are you going to india and....." you see talking pig can be really talkative. Before he could finish, Guanyu pulled his two friends to the town stable. They each grabbed a horse, and rode.

They rode for days and days and the talking pig did not stop talking. Finally, they stopped at a desert to rest. He lied down. The three boys shared the bottle of water Guanyu had packed. Back in the village people were very worried! Suddenly, a wall of floating rocks was charging towards them. Then Guanyu got an idea, he hopped onto one of the rocks and took another one as a shield. Monkey king knew what his friend was doing, so he did the same. But on the other hand the talking pig shivered with fear in the corner, then an arm picked him up, it was Guan yu. He had saved the talking pig. Guan yu sighed. And then they crossed the otherside. Next, they saw a castle, so they walked towards it. But a hideous monsters was waiting for them. The talking pig ran to hide.

Just then Guanyu remember his pot. He threw the pot in the air and the beast began to chase it. While it was distracted, they walked on a red mat with a dragon and a phoenix pattern on it. There was a man in the distance, he knew it was the master because it had a sign that said indian master monk. "Why have you come?" he asked. "I want to be a monk like you who saved the village from the lions."Guanyu replied. "But did you not save your friend from some rocks?" he asked, "oh!" Guanyu realized. "Or distracting beast instead of killing it?" "oh" guanyu finally felt spiritually fulfilled! "You are going use the path of hope to get home. This path leads you to the China village." He offered They walked. Guan Yu the master and headed back. Back at the village people cheered. People had been told by the talking pig that Guan yu had went to the journey. He had already told one of the horses to spread out the news. Guan Yu was now felt like a true, real monk. They all came towards Guan Yu, people hugged him, some people hi fived and some people just clapped. They were all so happy!! They had a party!

New Journeys to Egypt

YCIS Chongqing, Chen, Ryan – 8

Once upon a time, four creatures were going to Egypt. They were an alien, a flying pig, a snake and Harry Potter. Even though the alien was not from Earth, he had been to Earth before. The flying pig had magic to protect other people. In addition the snake could call his friend to scare away the monster. However they did not want the journey to be boring so they took Harry Potter! They went to Egypt because they wanted to keep the people in Egypt safe.

After a short while, they saw a crazy toilet on the road. They tried to get past it but it got crazier every time. However the snake whispered, "I can wrap this toilet to make it normal!" The flying pig replied, "Yes!" After dusk, they past the crazy toilet.

Early in the morning, they dashed into the forest because they saw an angry teacher. In addition they had been scared by the angry teacher. However they needed to pass the angry teacher. In the blink of an eye, the alien cried, "If we play with him, he will let us go." Finally they played with the teacher and the teacher let them go.

In the blink of an eye, they saw Iceland and they stopped walking because they had no idea how to get through it. After a while the alien shouted, "We can make a coat!" In addition the flying pig made four coats for every person and they quickly went away from Iceland.

After that, they were walking on the way to Egypt but there was a volcano on the way. They ran to a small, tiny and little house. After a while they found a small bowl of water and they poured it on the volcano. In the blink of an eye, the volcano was turning to a land of grass and they quickly ran away...

Finally they arrived in Egypt but they felt exhausted because they had walked for a long time. However they also felt jovial because they had reached Egypt. In addition they could save people in Egypt quickly. They dashed into the forest and they saw a scorpion, sand and a pyramid. They all helped people every day and they all lived happily ever after.

Journeys to the West

YCIS Chongqing, He, Jason - 7

Many, many years ago there were four friends called Harry Potter, Alien Pig, Magic Reindeer and Professor Snape. Harry Potter had a wand. The wand was magical! The Alien Pig was immense. The Magic Reindeer could fly in the sky and Professor Snape had a wand too. Also they wanted to go to Hogwarts.

After a short while, they saw a funny toilet and the toilet was running, hopping and dancing and the Alien Pig whispered to Magic Reindeer, "The toilet is so funny!"

The Magic Reindeer replied, "I will ask the toilet, "Will you come with us?"

However, the toilet said, "No thank you, my friend lives here!"

Suddenly they saw a vampire. The vampire had long, sharp teeth and the Vampire wanted to eat them. They screamed except for the Magic Reindeer and Harry Potter. Harry Potter rid on the Magic Reindeer and the reindeer flew in the sky with Harry Potter. Harry Potter used his power to fight the Vampire. At last the vampire retreated.

After a while they saw a dark , crazy and horrible forest but Professor Snape said, "We need to go in to the dark, crazy and horrible forest because we need to reach Hogwarts." So they walked in to the forest and they crossed the forest.

Finally they reached Hogwarts and they were so excited to learn magic and they learnt some magic and they saw where they would live and they lived happily ever after!

New Journeys to the West

YCIS Chongqing, Jang, Jayen – 8

Long ago, there were four friends called Tiger King, Talking Lion, Talking Falcon, and Talking Gorila. Everyone had no magic powers except the Tiger King. They wanted to journey to the west so the four friends went on a journey to the west.

Suddenly, they saw a dark and gloomy forest. “GO IN!” shouted tiger king. So they all went through. Meanwhile, it began to rain but they went on. Flash! Boom! A thunderstorm began. “We must find a house!” yelled everyone. So they found a house and slept for a day.

After sleeping, it was a sunny day. They rambled and roamed and they had come to a desert. There was no river. They were all thirsty so the Tiger King made four bottles of water. After drinking water, they went on. Soon, there was a sandstorm. Everyone ran but the sandstorm was stronger. After a while, the sandstorm stopped and everyone escaped.

After the desert, they came to a mountain. It was very dark but they went on. Suddenly, it began to get darker so they found a house and slept for a day again.

The next day, they went on. Finally, they reached their paradise. They all had great times. They all lived happily ever after!

New Journeys to the West

YCIS Chongqing, Karunudi, Sahil – 7

Many, many years ago there were 4 friends called Monkey King, Talking Bird, Father Christmas and the Friar. The Monkey King came out of a massive mountain called Huaguoshan. The Talking Bird was very funny. Father Christmas was amazing. He gave many presents. The Friar told many jokes to make everyone laugh.

One day there was a huge dinosaur, who looked fierce, on the way to Germany. Father Christmas answered, “He is so fierce.”

So the Monkey King said, “Let’s take him to Germany.”

Then a volcano erupted. Everyone tried to quickly pass there to get out but the dinosaur gave them a ride and they got past.

The very useful bright sun made everyone very hot too. The monkey king replied, “It’s too hot to get out the sun.” Everyone was trying to go. The Monkey King went to the air and destroyed the sun.

Suddenly they saw a giant river. It was 400km long. Also it was 450cm wide. It took them 4 months to pass the long river.

Finally they reached Germany. They were all overjoyed and cheerful. They decided to explore around Germany a little bit. They saw a lot of the creatures. They even saw an eagle. The 4 friends like the creatures. They went to the beach and they had a lot of fun. They really liked Germany and they all lived happily ever after or did they?

New Journey to the West

YCIS Chongqing, Kim, Raphael – 8

In this story there are Magic powers Monkey King, two baby dragons and phoenix and a cute talking dog. They are trying to help each other and go to India.

So they started to go to India. When they went for a boat ride on the ocean, a giant blue, big eye and a giant tail whale crashed in to their boat. So they all went inside the whale's tummy. Monkey king hurt his leg when he fell down.. Baby dragon used fire to open the whale's moth but he could not. The whale sneezed so they flew out of whale's tummy.

When they went to the rain forest they met a giant cheetah. He wanted to eat all of them. but exit is just right behind cheetah. Monkey king used his power to make cheetah his friend. So cheetah let them go through the rainforest.

Finally they went to India paradise. But Monkey king fell asleep. Talking dog ate many things. Dragon and phoenix played together. So they live happily ever after.

New Journeys to the West

YCIS Chongqing, Ko, Erica – 7

Many, many years ago there were four friends called Monkey King, Talking Deer, Lion and Tiger. The Monkey King came out of a massive cupboard and had a special hat. The Talking Deer was ting! Although the Lion was a boy, it didn't have hair. One day they set off on a journey to Korea because they wanted a better life.

Suddenly, they saw an UFO and they cried, "It's such a scary UFO!"

"But we can be friends with him!" the Monkey King shouted.

They all said, "OK!" Now they were friends with the UFO, so they quickly went out of the UFO cave. They said, "Oh!"

New Journey to the West

YCIS Chongqing, Lee, Edmond – 7

Long time ago there was a strong gorila called Gorila King. He was very brave that he could fight a monster. One time, he traveled to Korea. When he was going he saw a unmoveable snake so he helped. Then he asked “Do you want to go with me?” And the talking snake answered “Okay.” Then he asked Talking lion and eagle and they said “okay!” And the journeyed to Korea.

After four hours, they met enormous and pointy mountain. On the mountain there was fire wizard and he was evil. Gorila king thought how to kill him, at last he found a way to kill him. He said “abracadabra!” Then he shot much water from his hand and that water extinguished fire wizard. The fire wizard was dead and they marched safely across the mountain.

When they crossed the mountain, they saw a spooky jungle. They couldn't see anything because of sticky spider webs and some thick vines from trees. But talking eagle grabbed them and put them on end of the jungle.

They were almost there but they met 3KM desert. When they were middle of the desert, they saw very big tornado so they waited 1 day. After they crossed carefully.

Finally, they found their destination, Korea. Talking eagle and talking snake learned how to fight. Gorila king married a gorila girl and lived happily ever but talking lion kept went to East.

New Journeys to the West

YCIS Chongqing, Lin, Daniel – 7

A long time ago there were four creatures called Santa, Reindeer, Harry Potter and Superman. Santa was very strong. Reindeer could fly. Harry Potter had a magic stick. Superman had super powers. They were going to Hawaii to look for treasure.

Suddenly, they saw a giant alien. They were very scared. However, the alien was cute so they played with the alien for one month. Then the alien disappeared.

Later, they saw a volcano. The volcano erupted! They were scared and they ran away. When the volcano stopped erupting they walked around the volcano.

Finally, they reached Hawaii. They were all joyful and cheerful. They decided to explore for treasure. Suddenly, they saw huge treasure.

They lived happily ever after.

New Journeys to the West

YCIS Chongqing, Liu, George – 7

On a famous mountain there was a thoughtful man who wanted to travel to India. When he's walking on that famous mountain he met a funny pig, a strong friar and an eagle king that had magic powers. They all wanted to travel to India so they started the long way to India.

After few days they came to a cave and inside was a monster that looks like a dragon. The eagle king went to knock on the cave door so the monster walked out. The eagle king said nicely "can you open that so we can go" "no" said the monster "if you give us enough money." The eagle king is very angry and they and they began to fight, they fight for 5 hours and they're all tired so they all went to sleep. This worse thing let the monster's mom know and open the door, and let them go.

After they past the monster's cave they came to a scorching desert. Maybe we can find some pizza in this scorching desert" cam a familiar voice. "When pigs fly" said the friar. They walked and walked and walked and after 1 hour they all walked out but they all had a heatstroke. So they rested for 1 hour and walked the long way to India.

After they walk through the scorching desert. They finally came to the jungle of India. They walked for 30 minutes and they saw so many stones, they cannot past. The friar wanted to move the stones but the eagle king said "no" we can use water to make the stones away so eagle king use his magic to make all the water come and wash the stones away.

Finnally they cam to India. The thankful man met a beautiful girl and they fell in L-O-V-E and married so the lived happily ever after. The funny pig, eagle king and the friar all lived in India happily.

New Journey to Canada

YCIS Chongqing, Shu, Celine – 7

Many, many years ago there were four friends called Anubis, Nut, Pepita and Harry Potter. Anubis and Nut came from Ancient Egypt, although they were powerful! Harry Potter came from Griffindor. Also he was a wizard with a wand. Even though some people didn't know Pepita, I can tell you, she was a tiger with peacock feathers and Phoenix wings. One day they set off on a journey to Canada because they wanted to have a better life!

After a while, they saw a white faced monster, also known as VOLDERMORT! But they were not scared! "it is easy to kill him," whispered Nut. Suddenly, Harry Potter used his power to kill Voldermort. When Voldermort was dead, thousands of snakes wriggled out of his body! "DISGUSTING," shouted Nut. Then they past Voldermort and went on...

On a Monday morning, they heard a swirly snow storm. "It is so cold!" cried Pepita. Nut used her power to make a magical coat. When they walked out of her cave, PEPITA WAS TRAPPED IN A HOLE! When they pulled Pepita out she was sick! So they had to stay in the cave. After a while, they past the snow storm and they went on...

After about five hundred years, they heard a, "Rooooooooooooooooooooo," sound.

"I have no idea what this thing is, stated Anubis.

"It is a zombie!" replied Harry Potter.

"Let me fix it," shouted Anubis.

"Pepita." Then a beautiful tiger flew down to Anubis. Anubis just heard a boom sound and the zombie was dead! "AMAZING!" shouted Harry Potter. After a while they went on.

Finally they reached Canada and they ate, "Xiao long bao." They felt excited and joyful and they went to a park to play. For dinner they had Macdonalds and they lived happily ever after.

The Magic Box

YCIS Chongqing, Xiang, Selena – 7

A long long time ago, a Beautiful young girl and a Wolf King were going to the west. They met a cat, cat asked what are you doing?" wolf king said "We are going to the West to find a box!" So they walked together. While they were walking the met a talking snake. The talking snake asked "where are you going?" cat said "we are going to the west to find a box!" so they walked together.

They walked and walked they saw a cold scary mountain. Beautiful girl said "We need go over the mountain!" and they went into the cold mountain, while they were walking they saw a huge monster were coming out of the cold mountain. It has sharp teeth, it has red eyes, long long tail and huge body. The wolf king and talking snake were angry. They used their sharp teeth to bite the huge monster. The huge monster died, they were happy.

They had still walked, they walked two day and saw the way out. They ran and jumped but they saw there were a huge hot mountain, they walk though the hot mountain. There were a bad weather, wolf king use magic to made a tent. That was a magic tent so it wouldn't broke. When the bad weather was over the tent disappear. While they were walking they saw a shiny box, everyone shout "we found the box!"

New Journey to the West

YCIS Chongqing, Ye, Darwin – 8

Long long time ago there was a girl monk that wanted to go to India. She went find cool Lion King, talking turtle and silly talking monkey. She told the to go with her to India.

On the way to India they saw a huge green mountain so they went up. Next they saw a bag monster. The bag monster had 3 eyes 4 hands 2 heads and 4 feet. It was as big as a bus. The monster was red, green and blue. The teeth were very sharp. The Lion King fought with the bad monster. Meanwhile the talking monkey and turtle were eating food. After, the Lion King hit the monster's tummy so the monster died. They went on their way to India.

Then there was a long, wide and deep river that they couldn't cross. They all sat on Lion King's magic carpet so they past it. The all thanks Lion King.

After that, they went though the desert there were bad storms. It have heave rain and white lightning. Lion King try to use his powers to stop the storm but the storm was very big. Lion King can not past it. so Lion king tried again. This time the storm stoppet so they went there way.

At last they arrived to India. The girl monk were very happy. One day the girl monk met a boy monk so they married and and they live happiely ever after.

New Journey to the West

YCIS Chongqing, Zhang, Eason – 7

Long time ago, there was a snake that can fight very well Called Snake king. One time he got of his home and he saw a gorilla called Gorilla monk. Soon they met a rhino that could talk called Talking rhino. After they met a eagle that couldn't fly and he only could walk called Walking eagle.

They walked together in the mountains. Soon they felt very thirsty and they needed to find some water in the mountains. After they saw a gigantic lake, they drank some water. They were going to the paradise of India.

Next they walked to a forest and there was a storm. They were all scared except for the Snake King. The snake king said "abracadabra." And four rain coats falled down. They walked through the creepy forest and they met a blue sea. The wind was very big.

When they arrived at the sea, the Gorila monk said "I can make a easy boat and we can cross over the sea." So the Gorila monk made a boat and they crossed over the gigantic blue sea. When they were in the middle of the sea, the water went in the boat and they were very cold.

Finally, they reached their destination and they hapily went over the problems.

The snake king wanted to play at the beach. The walking eagle spent his time to learn how to fly. The talking rhino wanted more adventures that he went to the Amazon rainforest to have another adventure. The Gorila monk went to pray to the gods and goddesses.

New Journeys to the West

YCIS Chongqing, Zhang, Morgiana – 7

Once upon a time there were four friends called the Princess Angel, the Talking Pencil, the Magical Flower and the Clown. The Princess Angel came from heaven. Then her mother and father sent her to Earth because she could help other people. The Talking Pencil was extremely funny. The Magical Flower had magical powers such as becoming a unicorn, helping people quickly and she made people better when they are too afraid. Even though the clown was chubby, he could still make people joyful. One day they set off on a journey to Vietnam because they wanted a better life.

After a short while, there was a town of diseases. The four friends felt ill but the Magical Flower shouted, "Let's use some magic to save these creatures."

But the Talking Pencil replied, "We're too ill to help!"

Then the Magical Flower announced, "I will become a unicorn then!" In the blink of an eye the Magical Flower had become a unicorn. Then the unicorn saved everyone from the diseases. Then they went to the next part of the journey.

Suddenly, the Clown spotted a huge UFO. However, the UFO was friendly. Although the UFO was friendly, the UFO was still blocking the way. The Angel replied, "I'll take the pencil and the flower will become a unicorn and take the chubby clown, because the UFO can't fly." They tried to fly and they tried. Finally, they past the UFO. Then the journey continued...

Soon they got to a dark, creepy and lonely place. Suddenly, the flower spotted a light coming towards them. Then, there was a stylish robot. The robot was blocking their way. They thought and thought. Finally, they now knew in the pencil's pocket was TNT! After they exploded the TNT, the robot turned into little pieces, a pile of other robots and they ran fastly.

Finally they reached Vietnam! They felt excited and pleased. Also they decided to explore Vietnam. There were bananas or other fruit. There was also a park! They explored the creatures from Vietnam too! In addition they lived happily ever after or did they?

Jason's Story

Zhuhai International School, Chen, Jason – 9

Once upon a time there was a king named King Daniel. King Daniel had a whole group of knights. All of them were very strong. There was also a Witch named Witch Kabob. King Daniel had a lost treasure that was worth a lot. It was worth 999nonillion! One day as King Daniel were sleeping, Witch Kabob came and stole the treasure. King Daniel and his knights must find the treasure or Witch Kabob will turn it into a strong crystal and give herself special powers. Two days later...."did any of you see or take the special treasure?" "No sir" said Ahead, the officer of security. "I saw Witch Kabob steal it." "Why didn't you stop her?" "She was too powerful," Ahead said. "We have to go find it," said the king. "Who knows where Witch Kabob lives?" "Me," said knight Buthead. "Where?" "In the Beaver Dam forest" "Let's go" "Yes sir," said all the knights. King Daniel's men walked for one month but still could not find Witch Kabobs house. "Who said that Witch Kabobs house is in the Beaver Dam forest?" "Me," said Knight Buthead. "Is the Witch in the forest?" "Yes I am sure of it." The king's men walked one more month until they found Witch Kabobs house. Now, here was the hard part. They needed a knight brave enough to lure Witch Kabob from her house and push her into lava in a nearby mountain. Meanwhile the other knights search her house until the find the treasure. Then we will head back to the castle and keep the treasure in a very secret spot so Witch Kabob does not find it again. "Got the plan," said King Daniel? "Yes sir," said all the knights. "Now which one of you are brave enough to push Witch Kabob into the lava pit?" Nobody raised their hand. "I will give you one million dollars." The biggest knight Alfred raised his hand. "Me" "Everyone positions please." "Hehehe," said knight Alfred. "Who said that," said Witch Kabob? "Me" "Come with me." "Okay," said Witch Kabob. She went with Alfred. "What are you doing?" Alfred answered when they were close. "Look back and I will tell you." When Alfred told Witch Kabob he pushed her into the lava. "For that," said Knight Alfred. You fell for it. Meanwhile at the witch's house the knights searched and searched and knight Buthead found the treasure. "Let's go back," said the King. The King's knights walked until they were at the castle. King Daniel hid the treasure in a very secret spot nobody would find. Years past and King Daniel had a happy life without any thing stolen from him.

Leo's Adventure

Zhuhai International School, Fung, Chi Hang – 10

Once upon a time, there was a beautiful, wonderful and cool planet. In the planet there were a lot of aliens, all the aliens are dumb, there was an alien called Leo, it is the smartest one on the planet, there was a king alien call Mr. Dan, he told Leo to go out to find everybody a smartest beer to let them to be smart. But the smartest beer is veryfaraway! Leo is a strong, smart alien so he doesn't care about how faraway he only cares about his friends. Leo said bye to the king. Now the journey begins. On the first day, he got up early to go out to find the smart beer! He prepared a lot of food and water to eat and drink. He started to go; the king gave him a map to go. At the first station he went to a big castle because the castle is in front of the bridge to go to get the beer. He needed to be careful! Leo gently went into the castle, the soldier told king a alien came and the king told him come inside, the soldier listened to him. Leo came into the castle, he said, "wow". But the king thinks he is a bad person. He told some soldiers to put something bad in the water and let Leo drink it. The soldier gave water to Leo and Leo just drank it, in a moment Leo felt very shaky he crashed into the wall and he fell down from the stair and the king said," ha! You stupid guy, you think I will let you go into my castle?"The bossy king told the soldier throw Leo into the river. Leo fell asleep for 10 or 20 days! One day Leo woke up and saw the soldier throw him into the river and now he is near to the smart beer land! But there is a problem he can't climb up 10m tall hills so he needs to think. He think 1 hours, 2 hours, 3 hours, 4 hours, 30 days later he had an idea, he can pretend he is climbing the stairs, he tries and tries and tries. He climbs 2 days for this. On the third morning he saw a little bit of light. When he climbed up he saw smart beer land! He said "I made it!" He saw all the people are smart and cool, he saw a lot of smart beer, and he told the king about the problem so the king thinks it's ok to let him take the smart beer. Then they make a rainbow road to let him go, Leo give the smart beer to everybody and then they are same with him the king thinks he is an awesome alien so he lets him be the king!

The Boy From Mars

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In the 23th century, there was a little boy called **Mars**. He is called Mars because he came from the planet **Mars**. He moved to planet **Earth**. Mars is a **lucky** and **unlucky** boy. He is **lucky** because his family is **VERY RICH**. He is **unlucky** because his parents also are **VERY STRICT**. They have at least **100 HOUSE RULES!!!** Yeah, that's **A LOT!** So, that's why Mars decided to run away from home, and now he is on the **big wide street** of **FUTURE NEW YORK**. But as he was walking, he saw a **big** and **shiny** door in front of him. He looked around, but all he saw was **people** and **aliens** walking. **Nobody** is paying attention to him or the **MAGICAL DOOR**. He thought, "Hmm, maybe there will be something **good** in that door. I guess I will just walk in." So, then you know what happened, Mars walked through the door and now what he sees in front of him was **TRULY AMAZING!!!** It's **amazing** not because it's **beautiful**; it's because it's **all SO CRAZY AND MESSY!!!** Cars almost crashing into each other, people shouting at each other, and all other stuff. He was just about to go back through the door when he heard a **voice** calling out. It said, "Mars, don't go away, I need you to complete a **mission** for me." Mars paused, he looked around, but no one was there. Then, suddenly, he saw a **poster**, saying "**Welcome** to the **CRAZY WORLD!!!**" Now Mars got it, this place is so **messy** and **crazy** because it's the **crazy world!** **BUT** then, the '**voice**' called out again "Mars, Mars! Are you still listening?" The '**voice**' asked, "Um, yes, I am listening," Mars responded. So the '**voice**' continued, "Ok, then as I was saying, I want you to complete a mission." "What mission is it?" Mars asked. "The mission is..... Um..... I want you to go and **explore** this world and find its **problem**. But that's not all; I also want you to find a man called **Dr. Panty Poops**, and a **MIGHTY ROBOT** called **Canonbot**. You get it? Then, I want you to help this world and change it, don't let it be **crazy world**, but do it with **Dr. Panty Poops** and **Canonbot**. Will you help me?" "Ok, I will try my best to help you." "Just focus on your journey. If you don't finish it before tomorrow, then you will have to stay here forever. But I will give you one thing to help you on your journey. Here, this is a stick, if Canonbot and Dr. Panty Poops fight during the journey; say 'stop them!' Ok, now go on your journey

The Original Story Of Dropy

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Far, far in the dark mystery universe, there is a planet just like earth. It has trees, flowers, grass.....but the most important is that there is H₂O (water). The life in this cool planet is water drop. At New Yorky city there is a little kid called Dropy. His dream is to be a superhero. His moms, Ms.Drop love her child so much. His dad, Mr.w wasn't too lucky, the second day after Dropy was born, he passed away. Dropy has a peaceful 20 year of life, but 20 years later this change.

20 years later, a space ship was passing the planet. It is the Lava kingdom. The Lava kingdom is a kind of creature that does not have a planet. The king of the kingdom is evil, so they blast lava on to the planet. The lava ball went everywhere, it crash into buildings, destroyed cars and stuff. Everyone ran for their life, except Ms.Drop and Dropy. Ms.Drop said:"Son! Go on that space ship and get away fast because this planet will explode soon!"Dropy waved goodbye to his mom and blast into space **K-A-B-O-O-M!** The planet exploded after Dropy blasted off. The journey to find another planet started

Dropy is in trouble, he is flying the spaceship for long time but there is still no sight of a planet. But of course Dropy used the High-TECH computer in the ship to search for the planet. Then the computer went Beep Beep Beep. Dropy looked at the screen and it has a picture of Earth and it is 2,000 light years away. But Dropy did not care and he drove it to earth

3 days later, he saw earth it was about 2, 500km away. 2,500is not very far, soon he is falling down into earth 400mph

S-P-L-A-S-H! Dropy fall into the southern ocean. After he fell into, he saw whales, shrimp, ice....."This is cool!" said Dropy."I want to see what's on top!" But Dropy can't fly. Suddenly, a ball of energy went into Dropy body and.....**POW!** The ball of energy made Dropy a superhero! Now Dropy is faster than a car, powerful than a rock! So he Dropy flew into the sky and found land.

Finding land was hard, Dropy flew toward the typhoon and had blown away in the speed 259.8 Kph and in that speed he flew around the word 2 times and **C-R-A-S-H!** Dropy crashed into the middle of the Big Ben in United Kingdom. The new born hero arrived at earth. The sound was so big that even Antarctica can hear! Very soon, the London police, fire department, ambulance came to since, the fire truck sprayed water into the burning hole that Dropy made? The water that has sprayed make Dropy turned **BIG** and as big as a people. Very, very soon the fire man saved Dropy. The big new spread very far, now everyone knows Dropy the superhero of earth! ! !

The Live Power Story

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One day in a school on a planet called Live Power. Had a science fair. And they accidentally made five stones and they were not normal stones. They are power live stones. These stones are alive and have eyes, mouth, hands and legs. They are very powerful. Four of the stones have power that can let live things fly. One of the stones can turn people bigger a little bit. The stones don't want to stay on Live Power, so they left and flew to McDonald World. When they almost reached McDonald world they fell asleep. The first one landed in Mr. Coca-Cola. And made him fly! But if he wanted he still can walk. Mr. Coca-Cola hopped down the little chair and went to find his friend. Then the second stone landed on Mr. Hamburger. And made him fly! He still can walk if he wants. Mr. Hamburger walked out of the McDonald and went to find his friend. The third one landed on Ms. Sausage. And made her fly! She still can walk if she wants. Then she walked out of the McDonald to find her friend. The fourth stone landed in an 11 years old mouth. It turned him a little bigger. Then Mr. Hungry went out to find some flying food. Mr. Hungry wanted to eat flying food because he thought if he ate it he would have the power to fly and fly home. The last stone landed on Ms. Lollipop. And made her fly to! And she can walk like the others. Then, she went to find her friend. Later on near a mountain Mr. Hamburger, Mr. Coca-Cola, Ms. Sausage and Ms. Lollipop met. The sun was setting, so they decided to light a fire, eat some food they brought and build a tree house with some fruit they found. First, they found some branches to light the fire. Second, they ate the food. Third, they used candy to stick the fruit together. Last, they used cotton to make the bed. Next morning they had been found by Mr. Hungry, and Mr. Hungry decided to eat them. But, when Mr. Hungry was about to eat Mr. Hamburger, Mr. Coca-Cola had an idea: "STOP! Shouted Mr. Coca-Cola I have an idea, we can fly you back". Then they flew Mr. Hungry home. And no food needed to worry they will be eaten!