Dragon Dance: A Chinese New Year
LTF: A Chinese New Year
Lift-the-Flap Book (Lift-the-Flap, Puffin)
Synopsis

It's Chinese New Year and there are so many fun things to do! Shopping at the outdoor market for fresh flowers, eating New Year's dinner with the whole family, receiving red envelopes from Grandma and Grandpa, and best of all—watching the spectacular Chinese New Year's parade! Introduce the customs of Chinese New Year to even the youngest readers with this festive new lift-the-flap book. Illustrated by Benrei Huang.

Book Information

Age Range: 2 - 5 years
Series: Lift-the-Flap, Puffin
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Average Customer Review: 4.5 out of 5 stars   See all reviews   (35 customer reviews)
Best Sellers Rank: #89,455 in Books (See Top 100 in Books)    #6 in Books > Children's Books > Holidays & Celebrations > Chinese New Year   #90 in Books > Children's Books > Geography & Cultures > Explore the World > Asia   #90 in Books > Children's Books > Holidays & Celebrations > Non-religious

Customer Reviews

I love the illustrations and narrative of this book. It's a rare find amongst a sea of books attempting, but failing, to capture the spirit of this special, cultural event. Most books on the subject are patronizing, offensive, or downright inaccurate. This one is not. I like details, such as the photo of the ancestors on the table with the fruit and flowers—a tasteful way to display Chinese ancestral worship, not just during the new year celebrations. I like the Chinese astrology wheel at the back of the book and the 'make your own dragon puppet' how-to instructions. Those extra touches were a special bonus.

I bought this book for a pre-K to K aged storytime I lead, and it was a great way to introduce Chinese New Year to the kids. It was even more fun to read alone with my own preschooler, as she
could lift the flaps herself (always a bonus)! The rhyming text makes it fun to read, as the story follows a family getting ready for Chinese new Year. Includes a Chinese Zodiac wheel and instructions for making a dragon puppet.

This book just perfect for introducing your child to the Chinese New Year and a perfect place to start! My daughter loves lifting the flaps on each page and is the begining of her learning all about her Chinese Heritage! I only wish it where a lot in board book form!

It's a cute book, and I love that it teaches kids about the basics of Chinese New Year. It's also beautifully illustrated. The flaps aren't very engaging, they're a bit subtle (14 month old LOVES flap books), and the book isn't a board book style and so is probably meant for older children.

Read this to my son's pre-k class for chinese new year. Nice illustrations and covered many traditions that were interesting. The kids enjoyed the book and were craning their necks to get to see each page.

I'm not sure what type of Chinese culture this book is referring to, but it is not the Mandarin culture. Perhaps it is for Cantonese or some other smaller subset? It is wrong, and now I cannot return it. I am not teaching this incorrect writings to my child.

Good book, the customs and traditions are correct. Only shortcoming is that the flaps are a little "weak" and my 2 y.o. ripped one the first time we read it. Otherwise, it’s one of the better books on CNY that I've found.

This is a good book for Chinese New Year discussion. The lift-the-flap suprise additions to the storyline are a wonderful bonus! I would recommend it along with the Dancing Dragon, Bringing in the New Year and My First Chinese New Year.

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