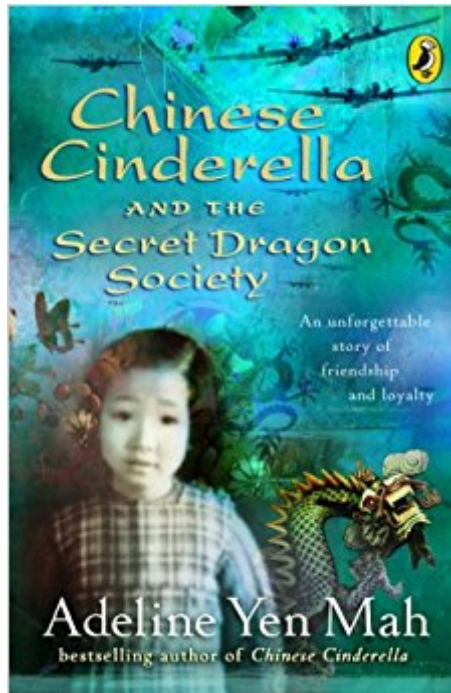




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# Chinese Cinderella And The Secret Dragon Society



## Synopsis

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

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## Customer Reviews

"Full of adventure."--School Library Journal

Adeline Yen Mah was born in Tianjin, but grew up in Shanghai, Hong Kong and London. She attended medical school in London and Edinburgh and emigrated to California where she became chief of anaesthesia at the hospital where she worked, as well as medical director a surgical

clinic. After the publication of *FALLING LEAVES* which has sold over 1,000,000 copies worldwide, Adeline gave up medicine to write full time. She is happily married with two children and lives in California and London.

a good book to know the story of a modern Chinese Cinderella, it is inspiring and encouraging for people to understand a successful Chinese lady as well as Chinese culture in the old days.

An insight of what life is like for a young motherless girl in China during WW2. We see her heartaches and joys! We witness her discovery of who she is and what she will become! This girl has amazing strength, courage and determination! She has created for herself a new and strong family by joining in the Secret Dragon Society. A must read! It also teaches us readers about life in China in general during this time in history. How the Chinese people were treated by the Japanese and the many crimes that were done against them.

Pretty good book. A bit overrated in my opinion. However, it has history in it and may give children a bit of a background on events going on in China during World War II. The representation of martial arts in this book was very superficial and limited.

Excellent from beginning to end.

This is a good story. However, I purchased it for a unit on Cinderella type stories for my second grade class. The book is too advanced for them. I would recommend it for teens and adults. Advanced 4th and 5th grade students can also enjoy it.

I brought this book for my daughter and she had already read it 3 times. She loves the story line and it's a very easy read.

Ye Xian is a young Chinese girl, who lost her mother when she was young, and her father married a stepmother. Her step mother loathes her, and although other adults say that her stepmother just does mean things since she wants to control Ye Xian, Ye Xian doesn't believe in those words, and the condition between them rapidly turns into severe hatred. The only joy of Ye Xian was visiting her big aunt, and she was the one who recommended the new English name (Chinese Cinderella to describe her situation) to her. However, even that came to a halt after she left on an "urgent

business" to an island far away. Afterwards, she came to biting on her stepmother (it was self-defense) and her father got so mad that he picked Ye Xian up like a kitten, and threw her out the front door, never wanting her to come back again. While lost and angry, Ye Xian remembered there was still hope for her, and that she previously got a card which said "we help the opposed and the downtrodden" in it, so she went to visit the place mentioned in the handout, and from then, her life changed: from an innocent girl with rough start at life to a full-time member of the dragon society of wandering knights. The book's progress is graduate, fast if it was a long novel, but normal for a short book (depends on how you read it), and it really is action packed, and overflowing with intensity and excitement. The character progressions are well times, and there is, in my opinion, not a single nick in the story. I really enjoyed this book, and I hope you, and everyone else would too, after reading. I recommend it to everyone who is interested in destinies, and Chinese kung-fu actions.

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