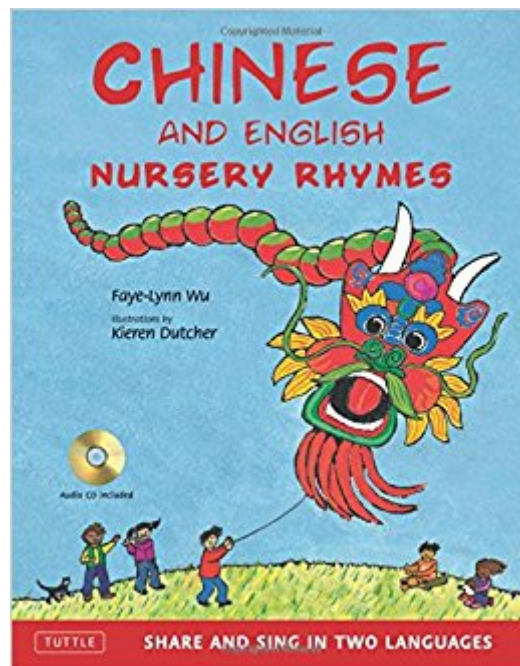




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# Chinese And English Nursery Rhymes: Share And Sing In Two Languages [Audio CD Included]



## Synopsis

This lovely multicultural children's book teaches classic fairy tales in both English and Mandarin Chinese. As Mother Goose has known for centuries, rhyme and rhythm are fun! And what could be a more enjoyable way for children and their parents to learn about different cultures and languages than through familiar rhymes and songs? In Chinese and English Nursery Rhymes, an innovative collection of favorite rhymes are put in pairs – one from China and the next in English – to show how the things that kids love are the same, no matter where in the world they live. Whether your native language is English or Chinese, you can learn the rhymes along with your children. Just follow the words on the page, or play the CD and sing along! Nursery rhymes and songs include: Muffin Man Happy Birthday to You I See the Moon As I Was Going Along Hickory Dickory Dock I Love Little Pussy And many more –

## Book Information

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Romanization, and translated into English. Large, brightly colored illustrations feature a multiethnic cast of children and adults. Most spreads have additional information about Chinese culture and ask readers to find items in the art. This book works best for one-on-one reading or as a resource for educators and parents.~ Jennifer Rothschild, Prince George's County Memorial Library System, Oxon Hill, MD Copyright ~ © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

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~ School Library Journal "Singing is a joyful way to learn a language and experience a culture. You can read the book and listen to the CD included for a Chinese New Year filled with traditional children's songs." ~ MissPandaChinese.com Mandarin learning site "The nursery rhymes are familiar to English speakers which makes this a really appealing book to toddlers, preschoolers and early elementary school students. The authors did a great job on the CD. The sound quality is great, and the singers have appealing voices with nice instrumental accompaniment. This would be perfect because it's visual and audio in one easy package!"

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The Chinese in this book is both character and pinyin with the diacritics as well as translated into English, which has been difficult for me to find elsewhere. I would like it even more if the English nursery rhymes were translated into Chinese.

I really like this book and that it came with a cd so I know how they sound. The English songs sound a bit hippy. When I hear it, I imagine flowing hair blowing in the wind while sitting on the grass with a guitar and a picnic. The Chinese songs mad me thing, WTF?? The songs are ok... The kids singing in the background makes it hard to follow the true melody of the song and makes me feel like I'm listening in on a kindergarten school performance. Great if I wanted to feel nostalgic about my childhood in China, not so good if I'm trying to actually learn the pronunciations and melodies. Alas, I haven't found anything like it so far (I have bilingual books without ping yin and without cd so I have to speak Chinglish) so I am appreciative of a product like this.

Rhymes are so funny in any language. This book has wonderful pictures and a nice selection of rhymes. We look forward to trying the CD too.

It was a gift and it was perfecter anew homes baby. They loved it.

I purchased this book and CD combo while waiting to adopt our little 3 year old girl from China. I was hoping it would create some security for her, hearing her native language amongst such new and strange surroundings, but what I didn't expect was the impact it would have on our whole family! We've had a lot of fun learning to sing the songs! The book has the Chinese characters, the pinyin writing and the English words for each Chinese song. (The English nursery rhymes just have English words.) Before listening, I was afraid the lyrics might be overpowered by the music therefore making it hard to understand. This wasn't the case! The lyrics are very clearly sung with just enough acoustic guitar as background music. This is such a wonderful resource, I'd recommend it to anyone, not just families who have or are going to adopt. It would make a great gift for any family that appreciates culture and open to learning different languages. I only wish there was a set of these!

This book and the accompanying CD are the perfect resource for American kids who are learning Chinese. For each Chinese song, you get the simplified characters, pinyin and an English translation, along with happy and colorful illustrations. Best of all, these are THE Chinese songs that

children in the US learn, so when my son goes to his weekly Chinese class he has had a review of the material he'll be asked to sing. I love the CD for its authentic children's voices. I have come across materials with operatic adult voices and I don't find that those encourage singing along the way this CD does. This is a wonderful book and CD at a wonderful price. Get it.

I wanted my kids to learn Chinese through song so I bought this book and CD. It is dated and the woman singing on the CD was a little annoying. LOL! Some of the kids singing along were not confident and you can tell they were more listening to her and singing along to her than with her. Maybe this will work in a classroom setting where the kids all sing together...but at home during breakfast is not as ideal.

This is great for teachers and parents who want to bring Chinese and English into a child's life. It has a CD which really helps with getting everyone to understand the tune. I gave this as a gift to a couple families and they loved it. For teachers, this is great for circle times/morning meetings and with integrating a new language into each day.

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