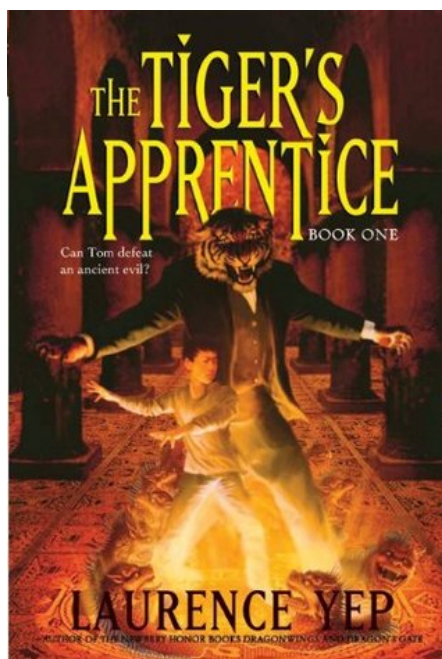




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Tom Lee's life changes forever the day he meets a talking tiger named Mr. Hu, and discovers he is the latest in a long line of magical Guardians.

From two-time Newbery Honor author Laurence Yep comes the first book in an action-packed fantasy series that has recently been optioned for film by Miramax!

Ages 10+

The Tiger's Apprentice Details

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Ellie Albutt says

Amazing

Gail Morris says

I wasn't prepared for the magic in this tale; it is perfect for kids . . . the story isn't too long or complex but the adventure is fast paced and great.

Wendy says

It's a great book for older kids looking for Eastern fantasy. But I just couldn't get into it. I tried to, but even at the climax where they've entered Lord Vatten's lair, I returned it to the library (maybe because it was already overdue).

Kest Schwartzman says

It's nice reading a YA novel that butchers a different set of mythology than normal. No, really, that's not sarcasm- It was fun running into Monkey and the rest. The books not great, but it's perfectly functional, and quite charming.

Allisonclauss16 says

This is a very good book. I would suggest this book to any one who likes butt kicking talking animals and Chinies culture.

Arthur says

I enjoyed this book very much. I was very interested by the story as well as how the author wrote the book. I liked how the author added a bit of chinese mythology to the beginning of every chapter. I loved the character of Mr.Hu. He is a very interesting character with a wild side and also prim and proper a most times. With his apprentice Tim and his friends monkey amd dragon,they make a good team.

Christopher Clark says

Tom has been raised by his grandmother since his parents disappeared. Everyone calls his grandmother weird and Tom is always getting into fights over her strange ideas. When a mysterious tiger man named Mr. Hu shows up and evil powers kill Grandmother in search of the phoenix egg she protects, Tom becomes Mr. Hu's new apprentice. Together, with the help of a dragon and a monkey, Tom must learn the magic powers of his Grandmother and become the new guardian of the phoenix egg.

The Tiger's Apprentice is the first in a series of books about Tom's adventures in becoming the new guardian. The story takes plenty of ideas from Chinese culture and turns them into a fantasy adventure that children will love to read. It is filled with pieces of Chinese mythology, mixed with a little magic and fantasy to create a story that will keep young readers' attention throughout.

Pat says

A fun fantasy book that uses both modern science (dragons have 'plumes' made from deep sea creatures) and ancient Chinese mythology. A Chinese-American boy is apprentice to the Tiger wizard with a monkey, a rat, and a dragon as part of their accomplices in fighting a great demon.

Tonia Sandersfeld says

The first book in a trilogy, Tom finally understands why his grandmother has always seemed a little strange. She was the guardian of the phoenix, keeping it safe from the evil powers of the world. But when the evil claims his grandmother, Tom decides to avenge her. With the help of Mr. Hu, the next guardian, the two set off to gather allies and find those responsible and protect the phoenix at the same time. Fast paced adventure with plenty of magic in the mix.

Leng Yang says

I like this book and it's a very good book. I mean I am into genre such as fantasy and adventure. I am glad that I take the chance to read it. The fantasy that included both modern time and ancient Chinese mythology just made the characters seem more interesting. Like Mr. Hu who is a tiger that can turn himself into a man, Mistral, who is a Dragon that can turn herself into a woman, and a Monkey. If I like the book, you would like it too!

Kimberly says

Yep mixes Chinese and American culture as easily as Rick Riordan mixes Ancient Greek and American culture. Those obsessed with The Lightning Thief series by Riordan will find this series to be the perfect companion.

Yashna says

it's about looking out for someone else...even if magic gets mixed up with it

Bette says

As an adult reader, I appreciated the inventiveness of this book. The Chinese mythical creatures are unique, and the Chinese atmosphere of the book makes it different from other fantasy books. I particularly liked the character of Stanley, the flying rat whose fur is the equivalent of Mary Poppins's bottomless carpet bag. Goblin Square reminded me of JK Rowling's Diagon Alley, and there are other Harry Potteresque aspects to the book. Tom's grandmother is killed, sacrificing herself for him. There is also an arch enemy and a fight against evil, but this is true of all high fantasy books. It has a lot of good themes--sacrifice for those you love, kindness, using your wits rather than brute force, and the tendency of people to label what is different "weird," to name a few--but I found myself admiring the book more than being absorbed by it. It seems to me that it's an excellent addition to children's fantasy lit, as there isn't a lot that is multicultural. (Tom is half Chinese-American & half Irish-American.) But I would be curious to know how a 5th grader would react to it. Any 5th graders out there? :)

Erma Talamante says

Tom, a boy living with his eccentric grandmother, discovers that the stories she tells him, and the lessons she teaches him have basis in fact in one eventful, memorable, horrifying afternoon. Mr. Hu, his grandmother's former apprentice (the place Tom now holds) visits, bringing with him a change for Tom. As he becomes Mr. Hu's apprentice, Tom learns more lessons and finally understands what his grandmother taught him as Mr. Hu and crew fight against an evil force. But will Tom make the ultimate sacrifice before the end?

The Styling Librarian says

I read this book for Hong Kong Battle of the Books and was enchanted with a story that felt quite familiar and entertaining. It has a pretty fantastical adventure with animals and other magical creatures that can shape shift and blend in with humans and a fight to save the world. I'm eager to have time to continue reading the trilogy.

Tanya says

I couldn't finish it - it's just a little bit too...pedantic for my tastes. It seems like a popular series, and I can see why - it has entertaining characters and plenty of action. The main character is just a bit too typical and the lessons are a little too obvious.

Angela Barakat says

I read this with my son.

Teagen says

This book was awful and I gave up.

Jacqueline says

A different take on fantasy that read very quickly and was detailed with great source notes. I will be picking up the next one in the series.
