

Myths supply answers to questions that ordinary logic cannot address. Legends reflect the values and views of a culture. Folktales offer an easily understood framework for living. All these stories present universal themes and have inspired art (and discussion) for centuries. Join us as we study myths, legends and folktales to gain a better understanding of Asian culture.

A few possible topics:

- Myths, Legends & Folktales of Singapore
  - The founding of Lion City
  - Kusu Island
  - How various places and streets were named
  - The Singapore Stone
- Feng Shui - superstition or classical wisdom?
- *Journey to the West* - classic book & modern interpretations
- The Dragon, and its many forms, in Chinese Mythology
- Guardian symbols and their use in architecture
- Chinese cosmology - mythical places & concepts
- The Chinese Zodiac
- Lee Kuan Yew - wise man of the East deserving of the 'legend' title
- The Legend of Durga - different interpretations and stories
- The Ramayana - the epic story of Rama
- The Mahabharata - the Kauravas and the Pandavas struggle against each other for the throne
- The Tales of Tono - Japanese myths & the popularity of the kappa
- MH370 - a study in conspiracy theories
- Australian Aboriginal religion & mythology

- Comparison of Indonesian Creation Myths
- Superstitions of the Philippines
- Asian Ghost Stories
- Modern Mythology - the myths behind many of the Pokemon characters
- *True Singapore Ghost Stories* by Russell Lee
- Singapore's Four Heavenly Kings - pioneer chef legends
- Hindu Deities
- Judge Hare: Cambodian Folktales with a clever & wise rabbit
- Contemporary art inspired by Asian mythology
- Images of Buddha: changes over time and cultur
- Tigers in Asian mythology