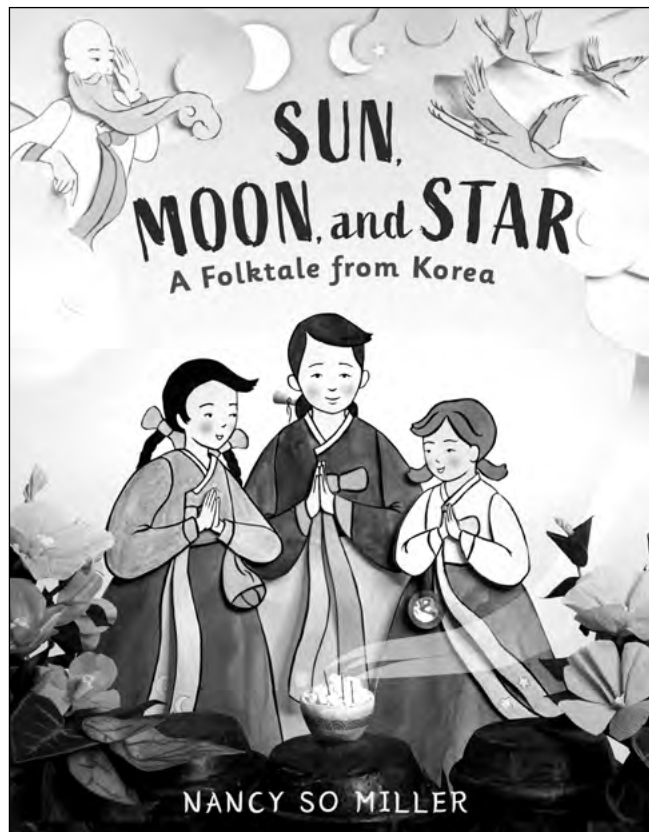


Sun, Moon, and Star

A Folktale From Korea Activity Guide



Grades 2nd-5th
Printable Activities

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KOREAN FLASH CARDS

Korean uses a different alphabet called Hangul.

The romanization has been provided. Romanization is when we write Korean words using English letters so people who don't read Hangul can still say the words. It doesn't change the word's meaning – it just shows how to say it out loud.



꽃
KKOT
FLOWER



나비
NABI
BUTTERFLY



나무
NAMU
TREE

MATCHING PAIRS GAME

Print two sets of the cards on card stock. Cut them out. Lay them face down. Take turns flipping over two cards at a time.

If they match, you keep them!

If they don't, flip them back over.

The player with the most matches wins.



해
HAE
SUN



달
DAL
MOON



별
BYEOL
STAR

Student's Name: _____



Story Elements

What is a Folktale?

- A story told long ago and passed down by people
- Usually shared by word of mouth (told out loud before being written down)
- Explains how people lived, their culture, or teaches a lesson
- Can have people, animals, or tricksters as main characters
- Often shows the difference between right and wrong

What is a Fairy Tale?

- A made-up story that often has magic
- Can include talking animals or imaginary creatures (fairies, giants, dragons)
- Usually teaches a lesson about right and wrong
- Often begins with "Once upon a time..."
- Often ends with "...happily ever after."



Student's Name: _____



Story Elements

Sun, Moon, and Star: A Korean Folktale

Characters

Setting

Problem: _____

Beginning



Middle



End

Student's Name: _____



Story Elements

Sun, Moon, and Star: A Korean Folktale

Directions: Create a comic strip version of the story with a beginning, middle, and ending.



Character Interview

Directions: Select your favorite character and pretend you are interviewing the character. Answer the questions based on the story Sun, Moon, and Star: A Korean Folktale.

Tip: Can you find clues in the illustrations?

1. Character's Name: _____

2. Age: _____

3. Favorite Color: _____

4. Favorite Food: _____

5. Hobbies: _____

6. Favorite place to visit: _____

7. Worst fear? _____

8. Greatest weakness? _____

9. Biggest secret? _____

10. What are their positive traits? _____

11. What are the negative traits? _____



Character Interview Word Bank

Weaknesses

Too Trusting

Impatient (can't wait)

Forgetful

Shy

Overconfident (too sure of themselves)

Stubborn (won't change their mind)

Easily Distracted

Clumsy (trips or drops things)

Hot-tempered (gets mad easily)

Secrets

Afraid of the dark

Cheated once

Hides a treasure

Wants to run away

Lied to a friend

Broke something valuable

Pretends to be brave

Dreams of being famous

Positive Traits

Kind

Brave

Loyal (good friend)

Funny

Honest (tells the truth)

Creative

Hardworking

Friendly

Smart

Negative Traits

Selfish (doesn't share)

Lazy (doesn't want to work)

Jealous (wants what others have)

Rude

Bossy

Sneaky

Impulsive (acts without thinking)

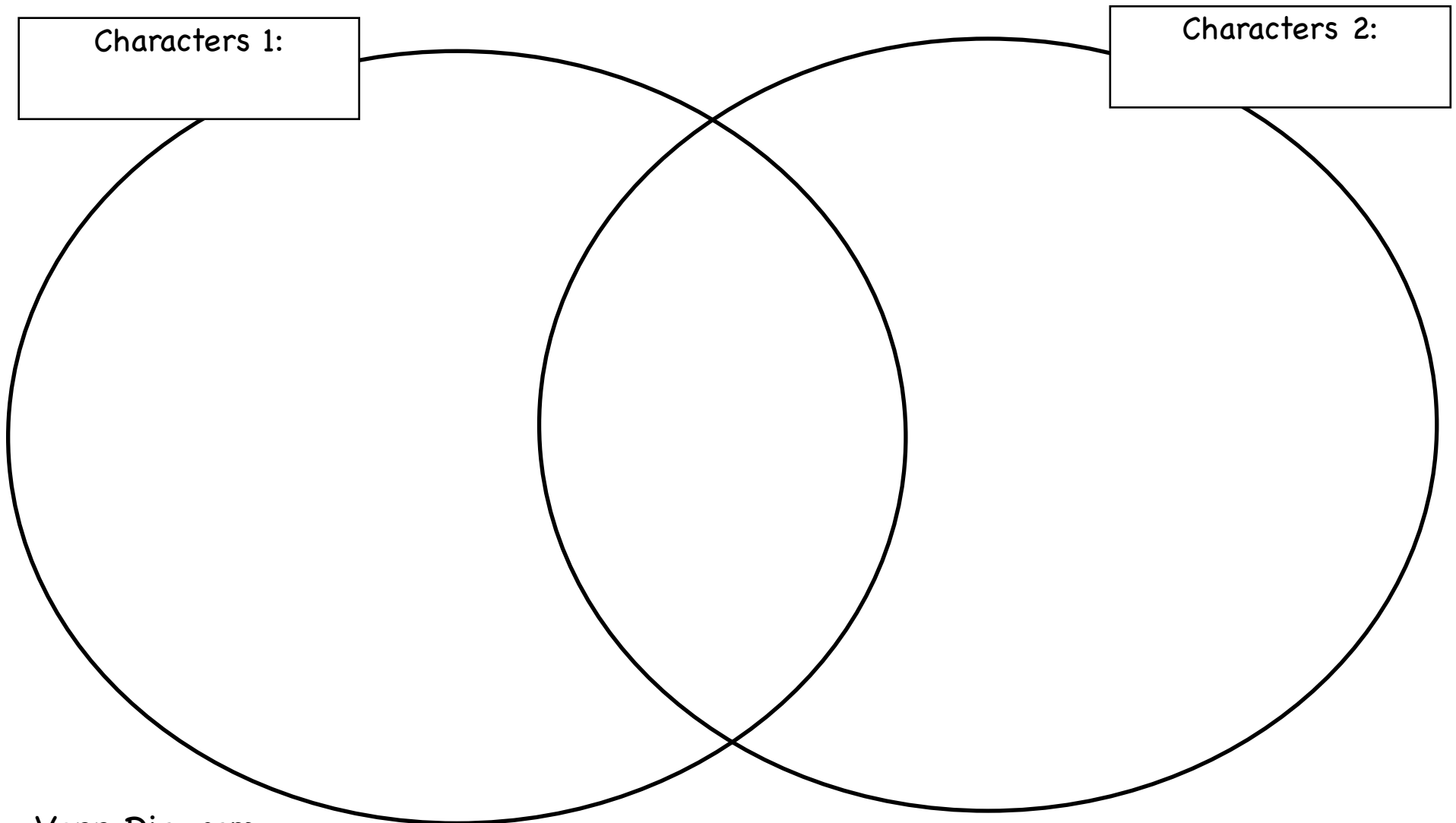
Distrustful (doesn't trust)





Compare and Contrast Characters

Choose two of the characters from Sun, Moon, and Star and write down their similarities and differences.



Venn Diagram



Sun, Moon, and Star Book Review

Author: _____

Illustrator: _____

What was the story about?: _____

Rating:



What I liked:

What I didn't like:



Sun, Moon, and Star Book Review

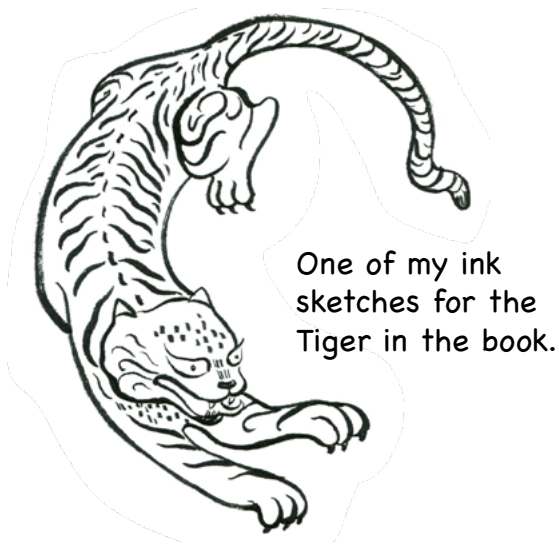
If you could write a different ending to the story what would it be?: _____

Draw a picture of your different ending.



Korean Folk Art

The art style for the tiger in Sun, Moon, and Star was inspired by the Korean folk art, known as minhwa (민화). The meaning of minhwa is "painting of the people." Minhwa painting with tigers and magpies were called jakodo (작호도), meaning "magpie tiger painting." I had so much fun learning about the hidden meanings behind the symbols in minhwa. Minhwa paintings were often painted by everyday people and we don't usually know the name of the artist since it was so long ago.



One of my ink sketches for the Tiger in the book.



The finished cut paper illustration of the tiger.

Is Minhwa Popular Today?

Yes! People still like minhwa designs on art, clothes, and decorations.

Museums and schools show minhwa paintings to teach about Korean culture.

Here are links to learn more.

[The National Folk Museum of Korea](https://www.nfm.go.kr/english/index.do)
<https://www.nfm.go.kr/english/index.do>

[The Art of Minhwa: K-Folk Painting](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xxCzR-RIPCU)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xxCzR-RIPCU>

[Korea Society Minhwa](https://www.youtube.com/live/hAILI8TE2AE)
<https://www.youtube.com/live/hAILI8TE2AE>

[The Korean Tiger: Icon of Myth and Culture](https://g.co/arts/a1vbMvJfdjqWkWr66)
<https://g.co/arts/a1vbMvJfdjqWkWr66>

Shin Saimdang was a famous Korean painter and her portrait is on the South Korean 50,000 won banknote.

[Link to more about her art.](#)
[Link to her paintings on Google Arts and Culture.](#)

Contemporary minhwa artist Hye-Ryung Suk.
<https://www.minhwa-usa.com/>

Sun, Moon, and Star Coloring Sheet

Directions: Draw your own setting for the character. Color it in.



Student Name:



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