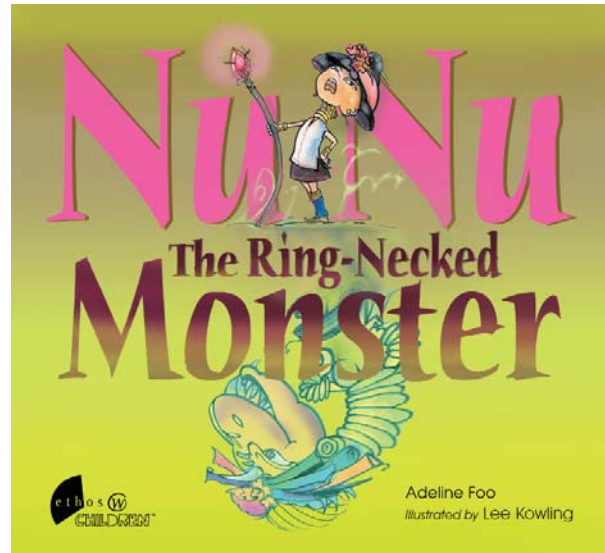


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Synopsis of Book

Nu Nu runs into a tiger in the forest. Afraid that she might be eaten up by the hungry beast, she uses her wits to escape by enlisting the aid of a mighty ring-necked monster. Will she succeed? Inspired by the Chinese idiom 狐假虎威, this story, set in the exotic Indochinese rainforest, features a heart-stopping encounter between a ferocious tiger and a spunky girl from the Padaung tribe of Myanmar. The idiom 狐假虎威 (hu jia hu wei) —is used to symbolise making use of someone else’s power for one’s own ends.

About the Author

Adeline Foo is a recipient of the inaugural First Time Writers & Illustrators Publishing Initiative presented by the Media Development Authority and the National Book Development Council of Singapore in 2006. Since winning the award, Adeline has not stopped writing and has ten published children’s books. Adeline’s books have received excellent media reviews and have made their way to Frankfurt and Melbourne. Three of her books have crossed over from print to screen as animation shorts, one of which was



shown at Cannes. This book, the third in the series, is dedicated to both Adeline and Kowling's mothers who had instilled a "never say die" spirit in them. Now, being mothers themselves, they wish to inspire their children and other young readers to be strong when facing problems in life.

About the illustrator

A designer by training, Lee Kowling is much sought after for her watercolour illustrations for children's books. Herself a mother of two young kids, she has worked on more than 20 children's books. In 2007, Kowling collaborated with Katrina Griffiths for *The Wombat Stole My Shoe*; it was later selected for the Australian Booksellers Association's children's reading guide. She also illustrated Adeline's Peranakan series which includes *The Beaded Slippers*, *The Kitchen God*, *Chilli Padi* and *The Amulet*. Kowling has also worked on cartooning and art appreciation workshops with the Ministry of Education (Singapore).

About the 'Monsters In The Mind' Series of Books

Written by Adeline Foo, this book series, targeted at children ages 6 and above, feature monsters' as central characters. These monsters, however, are intangible ones derived from shadows, sounds and imaginations in overdrive. Each story's moral, subtly embedded, touches on positive values such as love, kindness and trust. It is hoped that as children read on and discover that the monsters exist only in their minds, they will banish their fear of them. Other books in this series include *Monsters On The Wall*, *The Thing Under My Bed* and *Guai Wu, The Monster Child*.

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