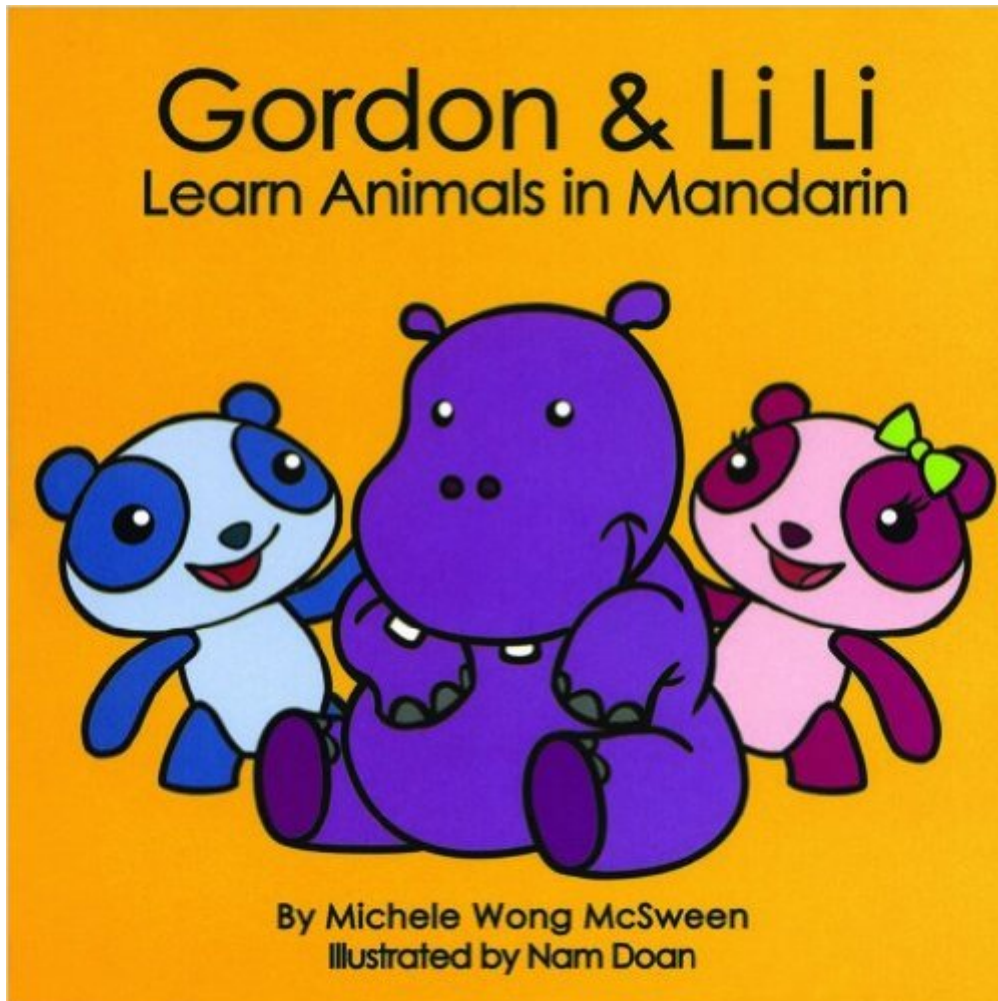


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Gordon & Li Li Learn Animals In Mandarin (Mandarin For Kids)



Synopsis

The second board book in the Gordon & Li Li series features a zoo full of adorable animals! They teach each other the names of 28 different critters in English and Mandarin as young readers go along for the adventure and learn alongside the cousins. Each page spotlights a single animal with a bright, colorful and charming original illustration. Every animal's name is written in English and pinyin - along with the Chinese character and the phonetic pronunciation, which makes it easy for parents and children to read and recite.

Book Information

Series: Gordon & Li Li

Board book: 32 pages

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Age Range: 2 - 4 years

Grade Level: Preschool and up

Customer Reviews

There are surprisingly few bilingual Chinese-English children's books for sale on Amazon, and even fewer that are appropriate for a family whose command of Chinese is, shall we say, uneven. The Gordon & Li Li series by Michele Wong McSween are among the very few that I would unreservedly recommend to parents who want to raise their children bilingual from the get-go. See my review of the first book in this series, [Gordon & Li Li Words for Everyday \(Mandarin for kids\)](#) for a general overview of why this series is great for babies and toddlers. All of the great things about the first book is true about this one, with some upgrades. In addition to having the words in English and pinyin, they're also provided on each page in simplified Chinese and in best-guess American phonetic spelling for those who need them. (I have to say, though, that the phonetic spelling is of

limited value, as those who can't read pinyin, are unlikely to get the Chinese pronunciation right.) There's no overlap with Words for Everyday -- "dog" and "cat" are excluded (so be sure to get that first so you don't miss out on those all-important words!). My only criticism of this book is that some of the animals are just a tad too stylized - the alligator in sunglasses, for example, or Gordon and Li Li themselves (blue and pink pandas). On the other hand, the ducks, chicken, and frog all have a certain, endearingly Chinese-cartoon quality to them. Overall, this is a great book, and we need more like it!

This adorable book about two cousins, one from Brooklyn NY and the other from China offer a global handshake to all who read this. You learn pinyin, Mandarin and you also get the phonetic pronunciations of the Chinese words. To make a good thing even better still, you even get Chinese characters! The bright colors and delightful characters and gentle presentation make this beginner's book of Chinese good for all ages.

My 2.5 year old son loves animals and he loves this book. He like to learn new words for the animals he loves so much and he looks at this book almost daily. It has a large picture drawing of the animal, the chinese character, the english name, pinyin and a "sounded out" of the pinyin.

These books are great for children learning Chinese. I only know basic Chinese and am able to read the pinyin. I can't read characters, but the pinyin helps a lot if you can read tones and pinyin. My kids, ages 2 and 4, loves this book. They are starting to pick up the words in these books and apply it to everyday life. This makes me really happy that they are able to learn some chinese.

I really love this book. I'm Chinese-American and don't speak Chinese fluently but wanted our son to be exposed to the language. The pictures are great, it has the animal names in English, Pin Yin, then Chinese characters (traditional), and then how to pronounce it if you don't know (or forgot) how to read Pin Yin. I plan to purchase more in the series!

This books is wonderful for those learning mandarin! The graphics are cute and most importantly the descriptions are very helpful. Each animal is listed in English, Mandarin characters, pin yin and then the mandarin pronunciation expressed in alphabet form.

I have this and the "words for every day" Gordon and Li Li books. This book has pinyin , chinese

characters, english, and gasp! phonetics to show you how to pronounce it!! the other Gordon and Li Li Book just has english and pinyin. Great improvement! I wish they all were like this. Very bright and colorful my 1 yr old loves it!

A very sturdy board book, with great colors and illustrations. This book provides an opportunity for learning Mandarin animals, but also lots of new English vocabulary, too. Our two year old reaches for this book all the time now; she adores Gordon and LiLi. We bought all three books, thankfully. The book helps you with pronunciation of the Mandarin words; a must.

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