

Y5 Literacy- Tues/Wed



Marking up a play
script from a text

Remember we did this when we were reading Treason.
Now it is your chance to try with a Chinese myth...



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The Greatest Archer



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The greatest of all archers was Yi, for the targets of his deadly arrows were not made of straw, nor were they mere creatures of flesh and blood. The enemies Yi fought and conquered were powerful spirits who rebelled against the order of Nature, in the time of the saintly Emperor Yao. Under his rule men lived in peace, but these malevolent spirits took to themselves the forces of the elements and threatened to destroy all that lived.

It all began harmlessly enough, when ten children tired of playing each one by himself and decided that they would all go out to play together. For these were the children of the Supreme Ruler, born of his wife Hsi-ho. Each of these boys was a mighty star, a sun, and they lived all together above the Eastern Ocean. There a giant tree, the Fu-sang tree, rose thousands of feet from the surface of the water. A thousand men with arms outstretched could not span its trunk. It was in the branches of this tree that the ten suns took their rest. Each dawn it was from there that one of them would set out, as his turn came according to a fixed rota, on his journey across the heavens bringing light and warmth to earth. As

Title: The Greatest Archer

Cast List:

The Greatest Archer

Emperor Yao

The Supreme Ruler

Guard

Visitor 1

Visitor 2

Visitor 3

Narrator

Music sustained and then faded

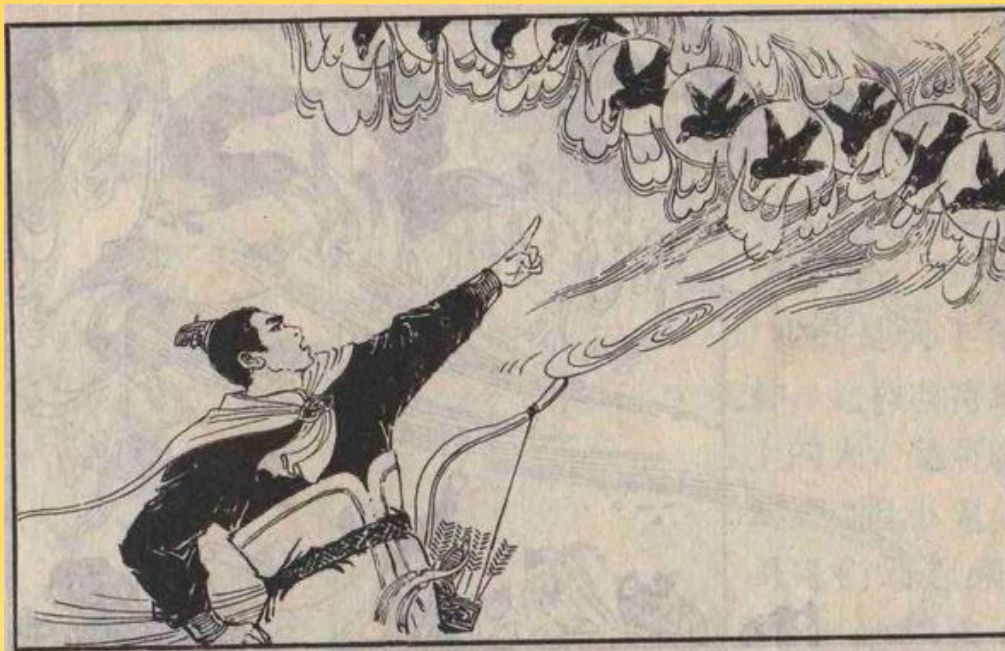
Narrator: The greatest of all archers was Yi.

The targets of his deadly arrows were not merely flesh and blood but powerful forces which rebelled against the laws of nature.

The Supreme Ruler enters stage right

Supreme

Ruler: I am the Supreme Ruler who rules all over the heavens and I am mighty pleased with the effort of saintly Emperor Yao. He is keeping everything peaceful but what is that entering surely it is not my ten suns playing in the sky!



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In Chinese Myths there is less conversation.
Can you see I used the Supreme Ruler to
speak? You can do this with the other
characters as well.

Now start writing your own play based on either The Rainmakers, Pangu and the Egg or stick with the Greatest Archer. If you are working on a computer then please do copy and paste my start.

