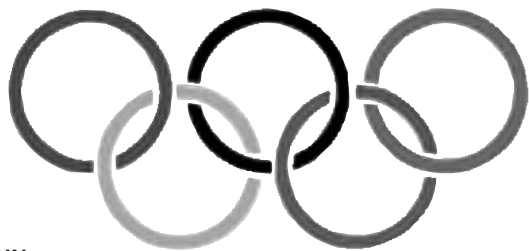


# THE OLYMPICS GO TO CHINA



## TRIAL RUN

Dick Francis

Fic

Retired jockey Randall Drew is asked by the Prince of England to investigate threats to a royal jockey intending to ride in the 1980 Moscow Olympics. Foul play is also suspected in the death of a German Olympic rider. Randall takes you for a ride through all sorts of danger during the Cold War in communist Russia to solve the crime.

## DEAD SLEEP

Greg Iles

Fic, Q, Cass

Trying to get over the trauma of her twin sister's murder, photojournalist Jordan Glass is vacationing in Hong Kong. During a visit to the Museum of Chinese Art, she comes across a controversial exhibition of female nudes in which the actual controversy is not related to the nudity of the portraits but whether the subjects posed dead or alive. When Jordan realizes the last portrait of the exhibition is of her late sister, she along with the FBI decides to pursue the dreadful unknown artist/serial killer.

## CHINA RUN

David Ball

Fic, Q, Cass

Informed by the orphanage that the infants they traveled to China to adopt need to be exchanged for others because of a clerical error, Allison Turke and several other families decide to make a run for the American consulate with the infants they have already fallen in love with. What ensues is an intense, massive manhunt which gets them caught up in a major political tug of war.

## THE FOURTH SACRIFICE

Peter May

Fic

An American ambassador asks forensic pathologist Margaret Campbell to stay in China to help unearth a serial killer before he strikes again. To her dismay, she is teamed up with Beijing police detective Li Yan. As their investigation comes closer to the truth behind the killer's executions, the truth of their overwhelming attraction for each other also becomes evident. Come join Margaret and Li on a vibrant cultural ride through China.

## SNOW FLOWER AND THE SECRET FAN

Lisa See

Fic, CD

Through Lily's eyes, the author lets you experience all of the women's ceremonial traditions and duties of 19th c. rural China. Lily will tell you about a lifelong friendship with Snow Flower and the secret language with which she accomplished this feat; the foot binding process, arranged marriages, a woman's inferior status and the many superstitions that were a part of daily life. We learn that although our customs may drastically differ, life's lessons will always remain very much the same.

## THE FENG SHUI DETECTIVE

Nury Vittachi

Fic

This "Monk" style book is a blend of great humor and Eastern philosophy. Feng Shui specialist Mr. Wong and his sidekick Joyce solve crimes by noticing discrepancies in the crime scene rooms or areas that don't conform to the highest Feng Shui standards.

## HONG KONG: A JAKE GRAFTON NOVEL

Stephen Coonts

Fic, Q

Jake Grafton is sent to Hong Kong to see his old friend Tiger Cole and to find out just how involved he is in the upcoming overthrow of the Chinese regime. While there, Jake's wife Callie is kidnapped and Jake finds himself pulled into the middle of a high-tech civil war. He's faced with the responsibility to make sure the right side wins because the fate of his wife and the entire world depend on it.

## THE CHINESE ALCHEMIST

Lyn Hamilton

Fic, Q

In her murdered friend's will, Lara McClintock, a world traveling antiques dealer, is requested to try and recover an eighteenth century Tang Dynasty silver box with an alchemical formula etched inside its lid. Lara escapes several harrowing encounters as she tracks down this unusual item that now holds the key to her own survival.

## THE GOOD EARTH

Pearl S. Buck

Fic, YA, Q, Cass, CD, DVD

This classic novel of pre-revolutionary China tells us a sad story about an indigent farmer who works hard and becomes a wealthy landowner. Unfortunately, throughout his life, he always puts his land above all else. By using the farmer's relationship with his land and family, this book leaves the reader with many ethical and moral issues to ponder.

## THE LOVE WIFE

Jen Gish

Fic, CD

Meddling Mama Wong is strongly opposed to her son's marriage to blond Midwestern Janie (Blondie). Even from the grave Mama manages to interfere in her son's life. The family soon finds out that she's arranged for a distant cousin (Lan) from China to come and care for the children, two adopted Asian daughters and one blond biological son. Unbeknown to the family, it's after Lan's arrival that their real troubles will begin.

## YAO MING

Michael Bradley

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This biography not only tells us of Yao Ming's story, it also intrigues us with Chinese culture, family tradition, salaries, politics and Yao's ability to juggle his Chinese obligations with the CBA, as well as his U.S. obligations with the NBA. It further informs us of his opportunity to play in the 2000 Summer Olympics in Sydney, Australia against the U.S. Dream Team and of his struggles in achieving one of his most wanted dreams, to become a U.S. NBA champion.

## THE MAGNIFICENT SEVEN: THE AUTHORIZED STORY OF AMERICAN GOLD

Nancy H. Kleinbaum

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This magnificent biography tells us about the U.S. 1996 gymnastics gold medalist team members. These seven women became the first U.S. gymnasts to win the gold medal as a team. This book gives a short biography of each young woman, showing their determination and spirit that helped them achieve their dream.

## THE BOYS OF WINTER

Wayne R. Coffey

796.982 Coff, Q, VID, DVD

This is the true story of the Lake Placid 1980 amazing victory of the U.S. Olympic Hockey Team over the USSR. It was an underdog's dream come true. This was the year that Herb Brooks and his unknown team of college players would upset hockey history. If you enjoy stories of success accomplished against all odds, this one is for you. The book has a correlating movie called "Miracle".