

# **Drought / Flooding**

- ♦ What is the difference between a drought and a flood?
- ♦ Discuss floods that have happened in Minnesota.
- ◆ Read *River Friendly, River Wild* by Jane Kurtz

### China

- ♦ Locate China on the map.
- ♦ List everything you think of when you think of China.
- ♦ Try to pinpoint where the village would have been located in China.
- ♦ Cook up rice for the class and try eating with chopsticks.
- ♦ Create your own Chinese character. (Like the one on each page of the book).

## **Animals / Birds / Fish**

- ♦ Research snakes, cranes, finches, goats, wild boar, fish, clams, foxes, birds, and bears.
- ♦ Do animals really speak?
- ♦ Do they have their own language?

# The Hunter retold by

Mary Casanova illustrations by Ed Young

# **Dragon King / Treasures**

- ♦ Draw your own idea of how the Dragon King should look.
- ♦ Write about a time you had to keep a secret.
- ♦ If you could be granted one wish, what would it be?
- ♦ Create a jeweled treasure of your own.

### **Stone Statues**

- ◆ Make your own stone statue and write a story to go along with it.
- ♦ Discuss statues you have seen, where they were located, and their significance.
- ♦ Do you think Hai Li Bu did the right thing in the end?

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Activities/Topics
Targeted for
Grades 3-4