

*For my granny Nina,
I will always remember you
- S.G.*

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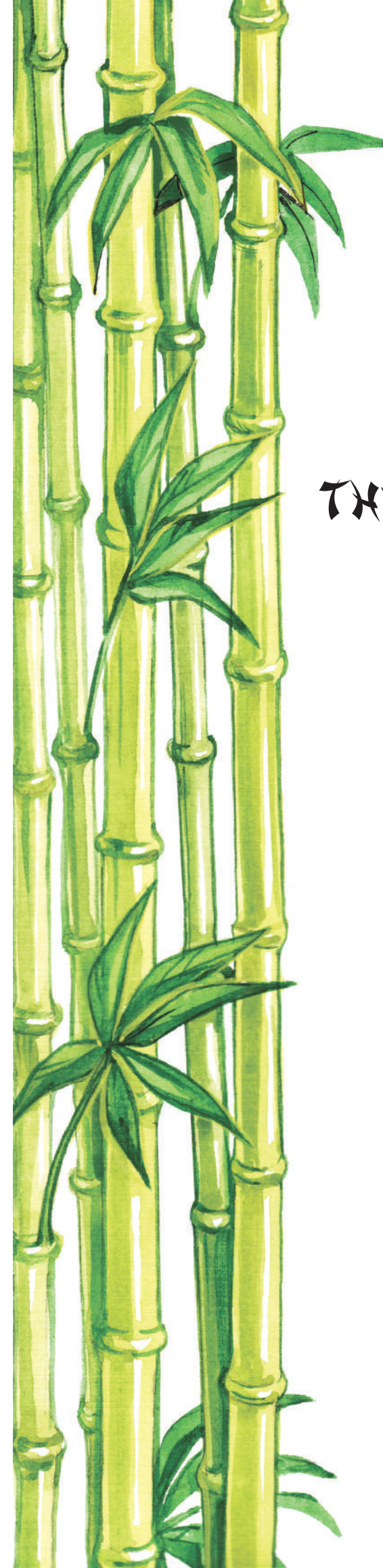
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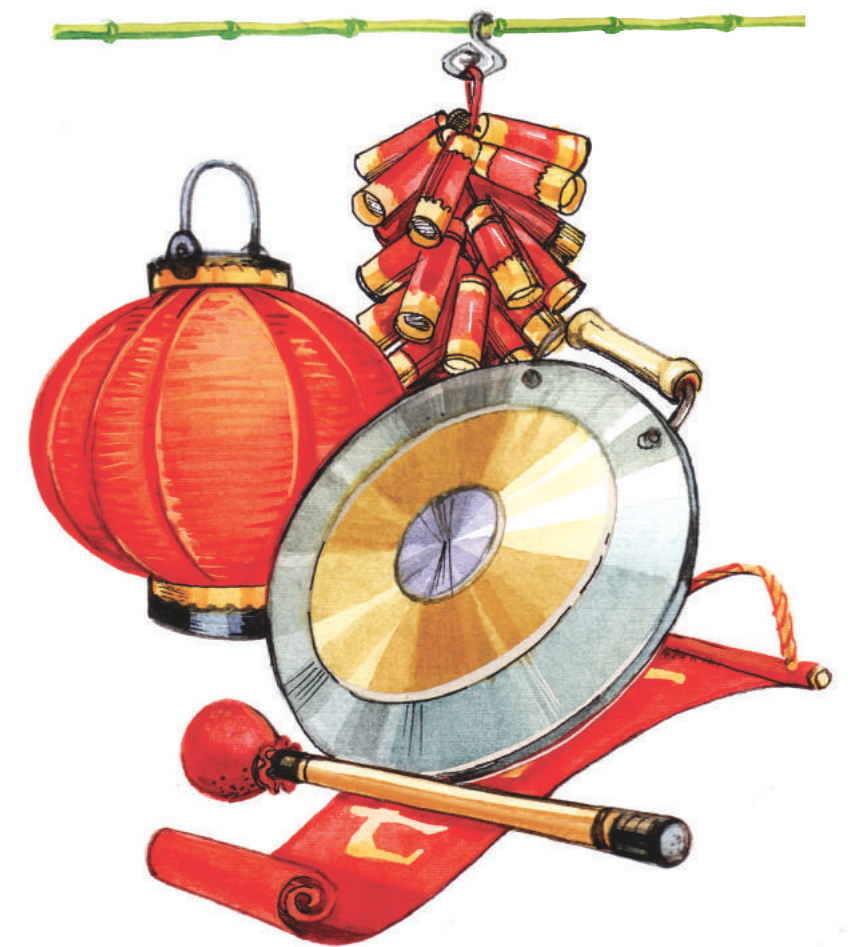
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A long, long time ago
In China, to the country's east,
A dragon lived deep in the ocean,
A people-eating ugly beast.





Nian would sleep all year round
Except for just one day,
When he crept onto the ground
To catch some human prey.



With two horns on his head
And sharp claws on his feet,
That monster was so strong and mad,
No creature could compete.