

# The Story of Honeysuckle

Far up in the Hunan Mountains in China, in a small village, there once lived a kind man who had only one child. This girl was the joy of her father's life and he called her Honeysuckle.



Now Mr Min, for that was the man's name, was famous across the whole land for being very clever and very rich. He wanted to teach Honeysuckle everything he knew and give her everything she wanted. Most children would have become spoilt but Honeysuckle was not at all like other children. As sweet and gentle as the flower she was named after, she always listened to her father.



Her father often bought kites for her, of every kind and shape. There were fish, birds, butterflies, lizards and huge dragons, one of which had a tail more than thirty feet long. Mr Min was very good at flying these kites for little Honeysuckle and if you saw one you might say, "Why, there is a real bird, and not a kite at all!"



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England

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India

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China

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Spain

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Mr Min: \_\_\_\_\_

Honeysuckle: \_\_\_\_\_

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Honeysuckle: **Accept sweet or gentle.**

3. Why do you think if you saw a kite you might say, "Why, there is a real bird, and not a kite at all!"?

**Accept any inferential answer, such as: I think you might say this because Mr Min flies the kite so well that he makes it look like a real bird flying.**

4. What do you think will happen next in the story?

**Accept any inferential answer, such as: I think one of the kites will get stuck in a tree and Honeysuckle will have to find a way to get it down.**