



About the book

三国演义

Three Kingdoms Perform 'Yi' – Duty

or

Romance of Three Kingdoms

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Romance of the Three Kingdoms is acclaimed as one of the Four Great Classical Novels of Chinese literature, attributed to Luo Guanzhong. It is a historical novel set in the turbulent years towards the end of the Han dynasty and the Three Kingdoms period in Chinese history.

The story – part historical, part legend, and part mythical – romanticises and dramatises the lives of feudal lords and their retainers, who tried to replace the dwindling Han dynasty or restore it. The novel deals with the plots, personal and military battles, intrigues, and struggles of these states to achieve dominance for almost 100 years.

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权

quan

power

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计

ji

(military, political)
strategies

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义 (義)
yi

duty, righteousness, honor, loyalty

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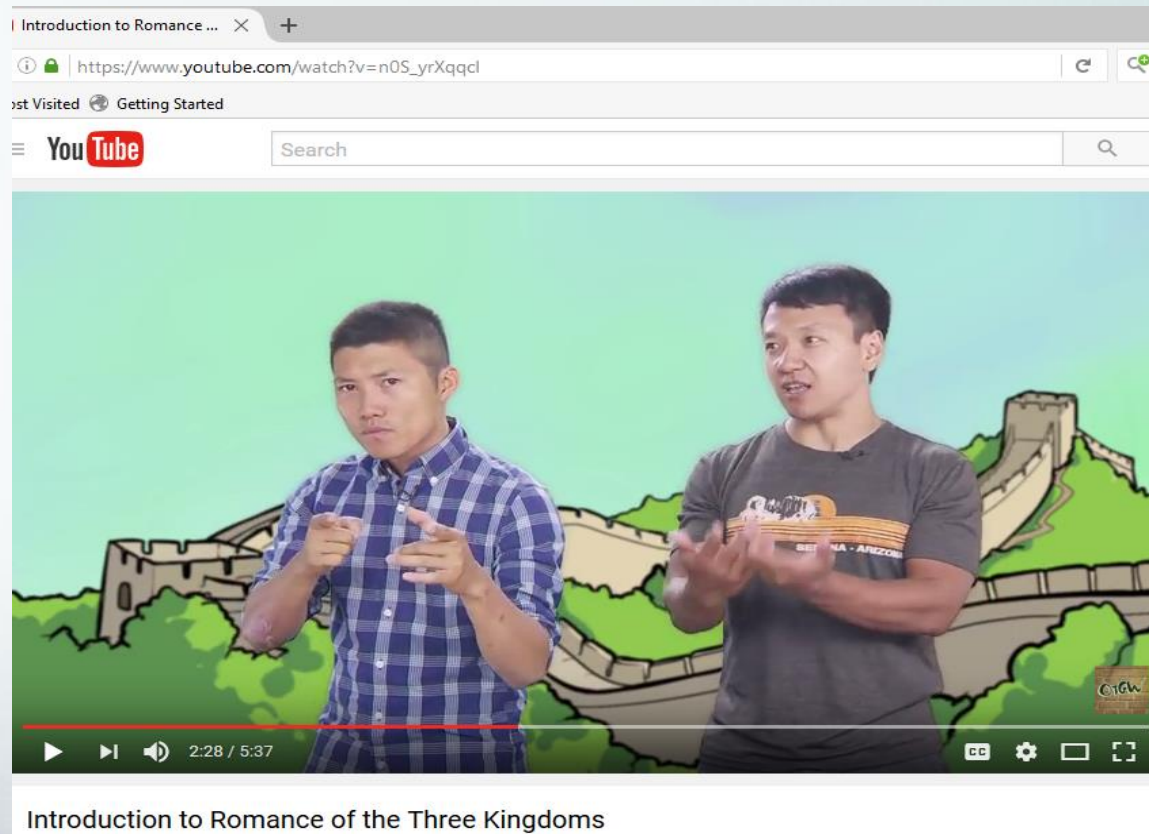
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Introduction to Romance of the Three Kingdoms (by Dan , 5 minutes)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n0S_yrXqqcl



Story Background

As we have already known, the country was in chaos at the end of Han Dynasty.

Dong Zhuo, a cruel, power-hunger tyrant, rose up to the high power, started to manipulate and control 9 year old young emperor, became the most powerful man in the imperial court. The emperor and many ministers wanted to kill him. One person, Cao Cao, wasn't in a high position at that time, bravely stepped up for the task.

Here is the story about Cao Cao himself attempted to assassin (fill in the blank in Chinese) powerful **Dong Zhuo**.

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More about Dong Zhuo.

Dong Zhuo, Dong Zhuo (died 22 May 192), courtesy name Zhongying, was a politician and warlord who lived in the late Eastern Han Dynasty. He seized control of the capital Luoyang in 189 when it was in a state of turmoil following the death of Emperor Ling and a clash between the eunuch faction and some court officials led by General-in-Chief He Jin. Dong Zhuo subsequently deposed Emperor Shao and instated Emperor Xian.

Dong Zhuo rose to power in the Han imperial court and ruled the nation with tyranny and cruelty for a brief period of time. The following year, a **coalition of regional officials and warlords launched a punitive campaign against Dong, forcing him to move the capital to Chang'an**. Dong Zhuo was assassinated in 192 by his foster son Lü Bu as part of a plot orchestrated by Interior Minister Wang Yun.

About Cao Cao

曹操献刀

Cao Cao Xian Dao

(do you know the meaning of this title?)

About Cao Cao

yìtiān cáocāo qùjiàn dǒngzhuó
一天，曹操去见董卓，



About Cao Cao

dǒngzhuó zhèngzài shuìjiào
董卓 正在 睡觉，



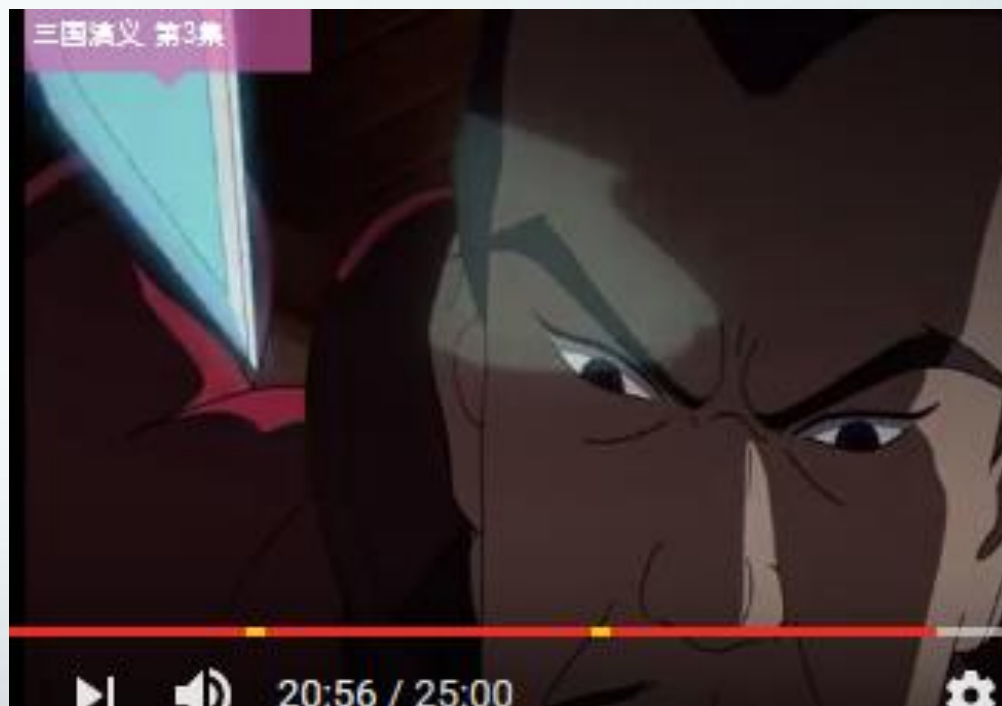
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cáocāo báichū dāo
曹操 拔出 刀，



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yào shā dǒngzhuó
要杀董卓，



About Cao Cao

tūrán shǎndiànle
突然，闪电了，



About Cao Cao

dǒngzhuó xǐngle
董卓 醒了，



About Cao Cao

cáo cāo guìlexià lái
曹操 跪了下来，



About Cao Cao

jiǎ zhuāng xiàn dāo
假 装 献 刀，



About Cao Cao

nà shì yì bǎ bǎo dāo
那是 一把 宝刀，



About Cao Cao

dǒngzhuó shuō hǎo dāo zhēn shì bǎ hǎo dāo
董卓 说 “好刀，真是把好刀”！



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Watch a video clip:
曹操献刀 Cao Cao Xian Dao

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZsCiusVTzWY>