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## SANMAO

### THE BOOK

Sanmao, created in 1935, is the most famous character invented by Zhang Leping and certainly the most loved by generations of young Chinese readers. Sanmao is an orphan who lives on the streets of Shanghai, whose name means “three hairs”, to recall the malnutrition and misery of the many orphans who lived in China between the two world wars.

The silent black and white stripes in which Sanmao acts denounce the society, the government and the historical period, but at the same time they show him as an optimistic child, able to find many little joys and to show gentle humor to the world around him.

### THE AUTHOR

**ZHANG LEPING**, narrative path and illustrations.

Lived between 1910 and 1922, he was one of the most famous Chinese cartoonists and inventor of comic strips without words for children.

**TO KNOW THE LITTLE IRREPRESSIBLE SANMAO, BELOVED PROTAGONIST OF MANY “SPEECHLESS” COMICS STORIES IN CHINA ALMOST A CENTURY AGO**