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Riluo City (Blue Phoenix Book 1)
Synopsis

*Currently undergoing edits. If you already purchased the book, keep an eye out for updates* Sacrificing his life to protect his best friend was a decision which Hui Yue did not regret, yet who could have known that death was not the final destination, but rather the beginning of a new adventure into a world filled with demonic beasts and martial arts cultivation. Hui Yue soon found that within this world, strength was what determined your future accomplishments and there was no space for the weak. Embarking upon this new life, Hui Yue meets friends, experience betrayal, and starts his own journey of cultivation to overcome his limits and become strong.

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Customer Reviews

I would like to start by saying Yes, there are grammar issues. This young woman is a brand new author, with this being, as I understand it, her first work. The story itself, the whole point of this work, is beyond excellent. The progression of the main character and side characters, the system used for power, all of it is very well executed, not to mention the length of the book. It is a genuinely large book that took me more than one day to complete, and still only $5. I am not familiar with chinese
mythology and culture, so I don't know how much this work draws from said culture, but it was new for me. I happily read this, my wife will be reading this soon, and I recommend all my fellow readers to give it a shot as well. Excited to read book 2 soon, whether it has been to an editor or not. Ma'am, great job.

Book 1 is great! Not your average xianxia tale of power up power up power up. This tale has a lot of American fantasy elements entwined, especially with the focus on friends vs factions vs family. A great tale that starts off slowly in a wonderful detailed world and by the end you cannot help but to rush, rush, rush to know what happens next.

Riluo City starts in this world where a young man dies due to the influence of a possessed item and is reborn in another world with his memory intact and another powerful soul inhabiting his body. The story about the boy growing up and becoming a young adult in a hostile world, making friends and enemies along the way. There is no true overarching plot yet, although there are certainly hints towards something big going on in the background. Still, the story gives some character development and world building which I assume is not too different from the genre. Since I am relatively new to the genre, I also liked the explanation of how things work throughout the book. In that regards having a soul from this world placed in the magical one with a more knowledgeable soul informing what is going is certainly a good vehicle for me. I was also pleasantly surprised that even though the protagonist is something of a prodigy, he has to work for his victories and has the occasional close call where surviving is more a matter of wits than power. The start is slow with some overly dramatic and extensive description and a lot of typos including a double printed chapter. The typos certainly lessen further in on the story and the descriptions become less flowery as well. I am also not entirely sure I like the might makes right that seems to be inherent to these stories, although the protagonist is not callous about it and only kills in self-defense. I am also not an overly big fan of arrogant protagonist, although it is not particular bad in this story and seems to fluctuate depending on how things went for the protagonist ;) All in all, a good story of a decent length. I will certainly read the second book when it is published. 3.5 stars rounded up.

The story is interesting and exciting, with hints of Chinese culture and mythology mixed in. Where the book falls short is in the frequent grammar and spelling errors. I don't know if this is just a poor translation job or awful editing, but the errors are glaring and definitely detract from the novel.
This reads like an overly long "Fan Fiction", transporting a man from Earth which, upon his death, is reborn into a new world (with a mental passenger). Retaining his prior experience and with the help of his "passenger", he is able to "cultivate" early, coincidently making friends with nobility which gains him entrance into a magic academy at age 10 years. What follows is an extensively detailed story of his first academic year, then a time jump with little additional support to a point 5 years later when he leaves the academy, finds a home in the nearby city, and falls deeply into politics which forces him (and others) to leave the city. A long and often overly detailed book, especially with its frequent rehashing of the main characters emotional issues. Even so, a fairly unique approach. I'll continue to follow this series "just to see what happens", though this isn't a book that I could easily re-read.

This is a great book. Filled with lots of action scenes. Great friends that find themselves caught up in the politics of their fathers. The Chinese mythology and the creatures are fully developed. Some grammar and spelling issues but overall a highly riveting tail of friendship. I highly recommend this book.

The author definitely needs a good editor, her writing is a "raw", but if you don't mind the flaes in editing and "style" it's a very good book, original and refreshing. Bottom line, I bought the next installment and I recommend to buy - enjoy.

My kindle decided one day it wanted to download this book by itself after I read the free sample and at first I was really skeptical. While the story did seem to catch my attention the sample didn't give me enough to really hook me and there are several spelling and grammar errors and it goes so far as to completely repeat the entire third chapter but, being the bibliophile, that I am, I read it anyway and will never regret it. The story was interesting, had a good variety of characters, it had a concept I haven't seen properly executed before, and my personal favorite: it was a long book. I read constantly and go through books faster than you would believe and I have books come and go to never really think about again but this book I will eagerly await the next in the series. So give it a read and show the author some love. But on a side note to the author if by chance you read your reviews please don't rush the next one out just to please your readers I have seen WAY to many book series start off great just to fall short along the way. So take your time and give it some T.L.C. and let your fledgling series grow to it's best potential. After all while the foundation is extremely important but so it maintaining the quality to the very end there are no shortcuts.