

MONKEY

Wu Ch'êng-ên

Read by **Kenneth Williams**

Translated by **Arthur Waley**

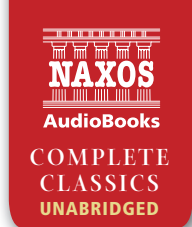
Considered one of China's great classical novels, Wu Ch'êng-ên's *Journey to the West* was translated by Arthur Waley in abridged form as *Monkey* in 1942 and has delighted English readers ever since. It is a riveting adventure story about a priest's quest to obtain holy Buddhist scriptures for the Tang emperor. Joining him on this rollicking journey: Sandy, Piggy and the mischievous Monkey King, Sun Wukong, whose flying cloud and magic cudgel are never far from his infamous deeds.

Waley's accessible rendition of Wu Ch'êng-ên's novel has become a classic in its own right: Gods, demons and disobedient monkey spirits all come alive in this entertaining work.

Kenneth Williams was one of the most popular comic actors of his generation. His extensive career included roles in theatre, television and film, the most famous being his work as a key member of the *Carry On* cast, with which he performed in 26 films in the long-running series. He is also remembered for his radio work with Tony Hancock (*Hancock's Half Hour*) and Kenneth Horne (*Beyond Our Ken* and *Round the Horne*).

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