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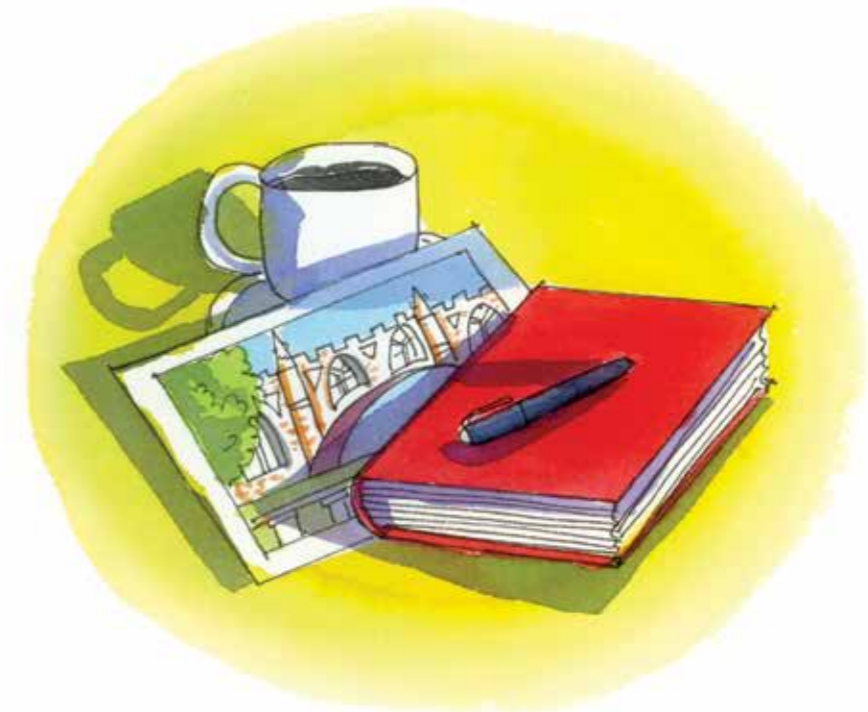
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Raffles College was an exciting place and 17-year-old Harry was eager to learn. Because he had received a scholarship, Harry had to stay on the college campus, in one of the residence halls.

Harry took a while to get used to living with 19 other students in the big, unfamiliar dormitory. It was always so noisy—and he didn't like the food that was served.



It also took Harry a while to get used to going to class wearing a coat and tie. He felt terribly uncomfortable, especially since the classrooms were not air-conditioned.

But the worst thing about his first year at Raffles College was something called “hazing”. Every first-year student had to go through it as part of college life.

Harry was forced by the senior students to wear a torn green tie and wave a green flag, sing and even push a marble on the ground with his nose.



Each college student had to choose three subjects to study. Harry chose English, as he thought it would help him in his law studies later; Mathematics, not only because he enjoyed it, but because he was good at it; and Economics, as he felt it would help him in business dealings.



Harry scored well in his Mathematics exams and was regularly the best student in that subject. But he could not believe that he wasn't the best in English and Economics as well. The person who beat him for first place in both those subjects was a girl named Kwa Geok Choo.



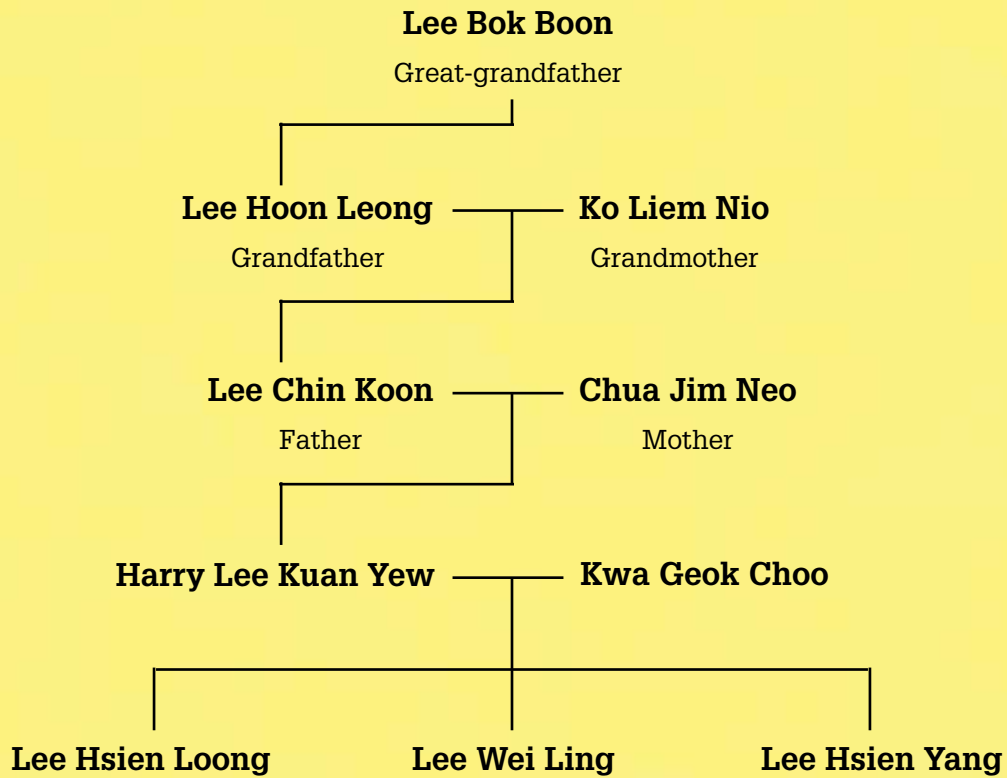
Harry had known Geok Choo when he was at Raffles Institution as she was the only girl in an all-boys' school. It bothered him that she would now be competing with him for the Queen's Scholarship.



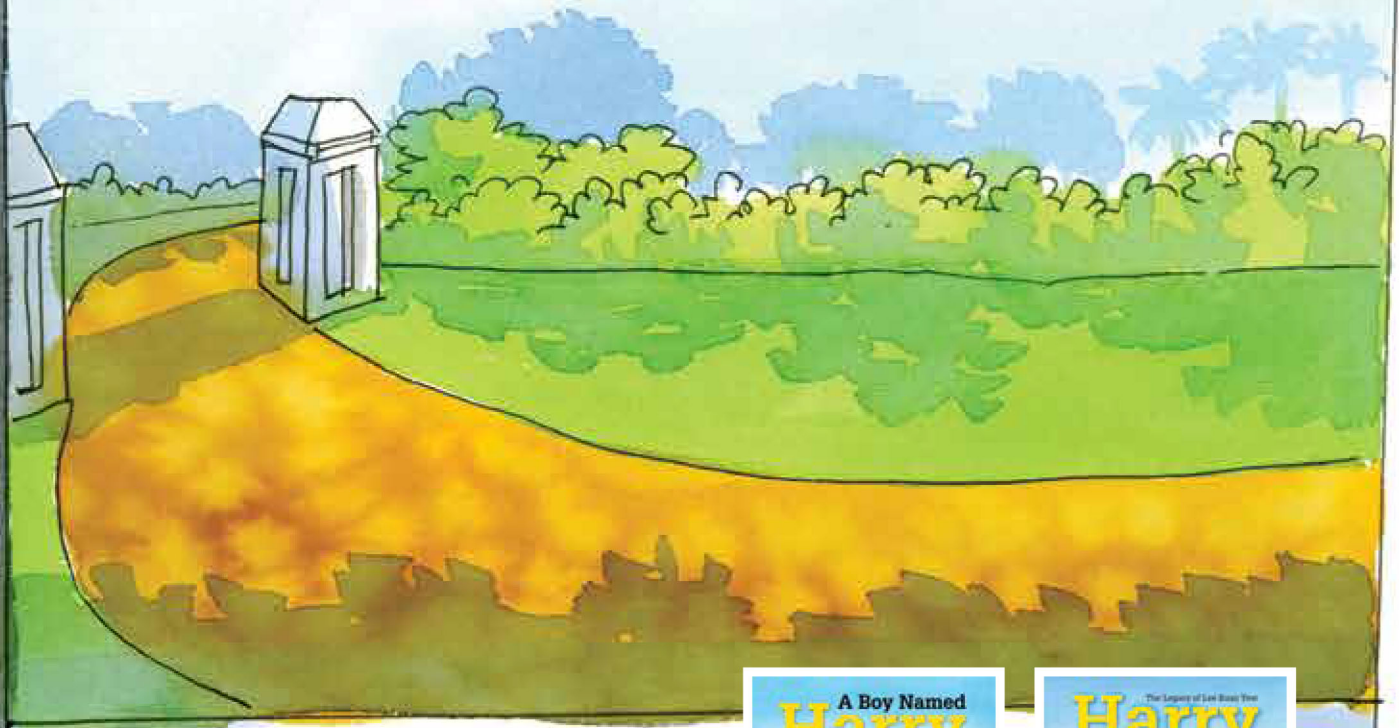
However, Harry would soon have something much more troubling to worry about than whether or not he received the Queen's Scholarship.



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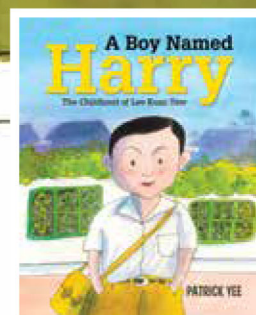


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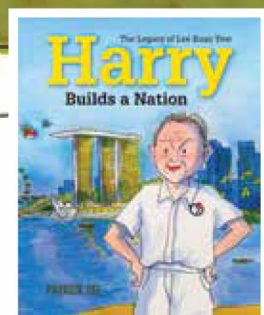


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