



MY NAME IS NUMBER 4

A True Story of the Cultural Revolution

TING-XING YE

A powerful and passionate memoir for young readers, this is the gripping tale of one girl's life growing up during China's Cultural Revolution

After Ting-xing Ye was born her great aunt declared, "Number Four will have a difficult life" for the signs were unlucky.

Here is the true story of fourteen-year-old Ting-xing's tumultuous life turned upside down by China's Cultural Revolution. After the death of both her parents, Ting-xing and her four siblings endure brutal Red Guard attacks on their schools and even their house as they struggle against poverty and hunger. At sixteen, Ting-xing is exiled to a prison farm far from home.

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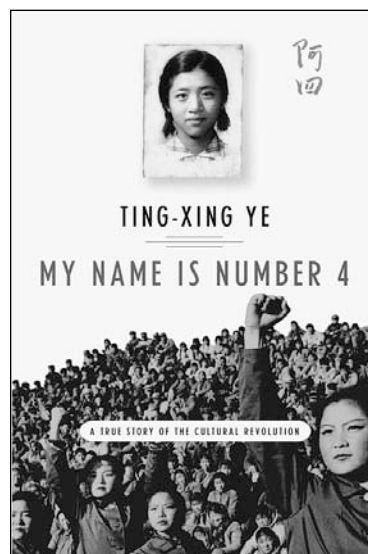
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