



LOY KRATHONG FESTIVAL

Read the history of Loy Krathong Festival.



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Loy Krathong Day is one of the most popular festivals of Thailand celebrated annually on the Full-Moon Day of the Twelfth Lunar Month. It takes place at a time when the weather is fine as the rainy season is over and there is a high water level all over the country.

The word “Loy” means “to float”, and “Krathong” means lotus-shaped vessel made of banana leaves. Loy Krathong is, therefore the floating of an illuminated leaf bowl. But nowadays some krathongs are made of coloured paper. A krathong usually contains a candle, three joss sticks, colorful flowers and coins.

Loy Krathong is to ask for apology from the water goddess for having used and sometimes made rivers and canals dirty. In other words, it is to wash away the previous year’s misfortunes.

The festival includes a contest of Krathong-making, the Nophamas Queen Contest, local games and performances, entertainment programs and firework displays. The Loy Krathong song contributes to the romantic atmosphere of this occasion.





Check vocabularies. Then drag the words to meaning.

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Festival	Popular	Celebrate
Full moon	Banana leaf	Joss stick
Candle	Canal	Goddess
Coin	River	Apology
Dirty	Misfortunes	Firework



เทียน	ลำคลอง	แม่น้ำ
ขอโทษ/ขอขมา	เป็นที่นิยม	ใบตอง
เฉลิมฉลอง	โชคร้าย	ธูป
เทศกาล	ดอกไม้ไฟ	เทพ/เจ้าแม่
เหรียญ	สกปรก	พระจันทร์เต็มดวง

Answer the questions.

ตอบคำถามจากเรื่องที่เราอ่าน



1. When is Loy Kratong celebrated?

- a. on the full-moon day of rainy season is over.
- b. on the full-moon day of the water level is high.
- c. on the full-moon day of the twelfth lunar month.

2. What is the weather like on Loy Kratong Day?

- a. cold
- b. hot
- c. rainy

3. What are they going to do on Loy Krathong Festivals?

- a. They're going to make a boat to float.
- b. They're going to make food from banana leaves.
- c. They're going to make a Krathong from banana leaves.

4. What shape is Krathong look like?

- a. round
- b. lotus
- c. heart

5. How many joss sticks usually contains on a Krathong?

- a. one
- b. three
- c. nine



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6. Who is the water goddess ?

- a. Phra Mae Ma Ree
- b. Phra Maha Tea wee Chao
- c. Phra Mae Kong Ka

7. Which of the following is *not* included in Loy Krathong festival?

- a. A contest of Krathong-making
- b. The Songkran Queen Contest
- c. The firework displays

Do you like Loy Krathong Festival?



Yes, I do.



No, I don't.

