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## Water Puppet Theater

Water puppet theaters started in the Red River Delta a thousand years ago. But they are still popular today all over Viet Nam. The puppets are usually made from wood and painted in different colors with a special type of paint that stays in water.



The stage is a pool of water, and the puppets move over the top of it. When water puppets first started, the stage was

a rice field. Today, people hide behind a screen so no one sees them. They use sticks to make the puppets move and act out the story. The stories are usually about Vietnamese folktales and legends. Sometimes there is a band that plays Vietnamese music.

### Make your own water puppets

You can make your own water puppet! Take a plastic spoon and use pens or colored paper to draw a face and costume. Fill a bowl with water and put the spoon in the water so that you can move the puppet. Be careful! Don't get the puppet's costume wet. Ask your friends to make some more puppets so that you can tell a story together.



1. Water puppet theaters started in Viet Nam .....
2. The puppets are usually made from wood. ....
3. Water puppets started in rice fields. ....
4. The puppets play music. ....
5. You can make water puppets with plastic spoons. ....
6. The story is about Vietnamese countryside. ....
7. The story is about water puppet theater. ....
8. The first water puppet was started in a theater. ....
9. The stories are usually about legends and folktales. ....
10. The stage is a pool of water. ....

