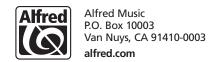


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I. WE'RE ALL CHILDREN OF THE WORLD

Words by PATRICE VILLINES

Music by TIM HAYDEN Arranged by JAY ALTHOUSE





Thailand

Thailand, originally known as Siam, is a country in the southeastern part of Asia. It has big modern cities, like Bangkok (the capital), and ancient ornate temples, many that display figures of Buddha. The climate in Thailand is tropical, with a rainy monsoon season that lasts from November through March. Thailand's currency is called the "baht."



Here, kitty kitty

What's a "wichian mat"? That's what Siamese cats were called when they were first named in Thailand.

Some like it hot!

Thai food is popular around the world. Many dishes are made with flavorful spices and paired with rice or noodles.

It's paradise

Thailand has hundreds of small islands. With white sandy beaches and beautiful turquoise waters, many of these islands have become popular vacation destinations.

Tons of fun

The elephant is the national symbol of Thailand.

Now that's a tongue twister

The full ceremonial name for the city of Bangkok is "Krung Thep Mahanakhon Amon Rattanakosin Mahinthara Ayuthaya Mahadilok Phop Noppharat Ratchathani Burirom Udomratchaniwet Mahasathan Amon Piman Awatan Sathit Sakkathattiya Witsanukam Prasit."

What a kick!

Muay Thai, a form of kickboxing with roots back to the 16th century, is Thailand's national sport.

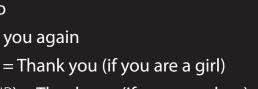


Say what?

Sawatdee (sah-waht-DEE) = Hello Jer gan mai (jer GAHN my) = See you again

Khop khun kha (kohp koon KAH) = Thank you (if you are a girl) *Khop khun khap* (kohp koon KAHP) = Thank you (if you are a boy)

Thai



2. LOY KRATHONG

English Words by HERB FROMBACH

Thai Folk Song Arranged by VICKI TUCKER COURTNEY





Loy Krathong (*loy krah-tawng*) is a festival celebrated in Thailand and parts of Laos and Burma. Literally translated as "to float a basket," participants fashion a krathong out of the trunk of a banana tree or spider lily plant, place a candle and other decorations inside it, and float it on a body of water. For some, the krathong symbolizes the letting go of one's hatred or anger; for others, it is an act of thanksgiving.