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## Picture and letter game: find the correct word

Try it yourself? Another exciting activity from the Dutch *Poppenspe(e)lmuseum* (Puppetry Museum). Have a look at the pictures that are depicted above. The letters with the pictures should be placed in the same order as the numbers with the 15 descriptions below. When put in the correct order, the letters under the pictures will make up a form of improvised theatre that consists of dance, farce, mime, acrobatics and music. This theatre form originated in Italy in the sixteenth century and gradually spread over major parts of Europe. Many characters from this folk theatre have found their way to *traditional puppet theatre*, including the clowns *Pierrot*, *Harlequin* and *Pulcinella*. Send us the right **answer** and you will receive a surprise gift.

1. *Half-mask* (Venice).
2. *Devil*, glove puppet.
3. *Little Red Riding Hood*, 'Ombres chinoises', shadow theatre.
4. *Rabbit*, hand shadow.
5. *Kasperl* with bell, paper theatre (Germany).
6. Reading *Jan Klaassen* (the Netherlands).
7. *Bunraku figure* (Japan).
8. Reading *Witch*, marionette.
9. *Peepshow man* (China).
10. *Dalang* with *Semar*, wayang kulit (Java, Indonesia).
11. *Tin and Vegetable puppet*.
12. *Pierrot*, Jumping Jack.
13. *Mrs Death*, *Matchbox Ghost* and *Wide-eared Clown*, glove puppets (*Paul Klee*, Germany).
14. *Shadow puppets* (China).
15. *Devil*, *King*, *Policeman*, the *Death* and a *sorcerer*.

Word: 1. ... 2. ... 3. ... 4. ... 5. ... 6. ... 7. ... 8. ... 9. ... 10. ... 11. ... 12. ... 13. ... 14. ... 15. ...

On our [www.poppenspelmuseumbibliotheek.nl](http://www.poppenspelmuseumbibliotheek.nl) website, we have posted *Poppenspe(e)ltechnieken en -figuren* (puppetry techniques and figures), an educational series that highlights folk and mainstream puppet theatre by means of more than twenty illustrations and small Dutch texts. Word puzzles, small finger puppets, masks and a colouring picture invite you to the *Try it yourself?* activity. The series was inspired by pictures, books, photographs, graphics, prints, film fragments, small theatres, and puppet theatre figures from the Puppetry Museum's international collection.

You will find more information about the museum collection on [www.geheugenvannederland.nl/poppenspel2](http://www.geheugenvannederland.nl/poppenspel2) and [www.poppenspelmuseum.nl](http://www.poppenspelmuseum.nl). See also the YouTube and Vimeo films *Traditionele volkspoppentheater technieken, -figuren en -attributen* (Traditional folk puppet theatre techniques, characters and objects), [www.youtube.com/watch?v=T3OHWwHZmZE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T3OHWwHZmZE). Illustrations: *Elsje Zwart* © (2011). Realisation, project concept and text:

*Otto van der Mieden* © (2012). Hyperlinks: click on the **bold-printed** words. Have fun. **Applause!**

Doepak presents some unusual theatre forms, far beyond the confines of our own fantasy! Doepak is a cheerful, educational and colourful Dutch-language newsletter packed with background information about folk and mainstream puppet theatre. In this newsletter and scribblings you can also read about all kinds of activities in the Puppetry Museum such as which exhibitions are on show, whether new books were issued, and how the website is developing. The Dutch verbs of 'doen' (do) and 'pakken' (take) are hidden in the name of the Doepak newsletter. This name was composed for good reason, because you are supposed to 'do' and 'take' things yourself. The name 'Doepak' is also the phonetic transcription in Dutch of the Czech word dupák. A dupák is a rod marionette and trick puppet. Where the dupák swings his arms wide as he twirls around, Doepak embraces the international world of puppetry and related arts with its hints and tips, questions and answers, illustrations and DIY activities. In Slovakian and Hungarian puppet theatre the dupák is called Paprika Jancsi.

