

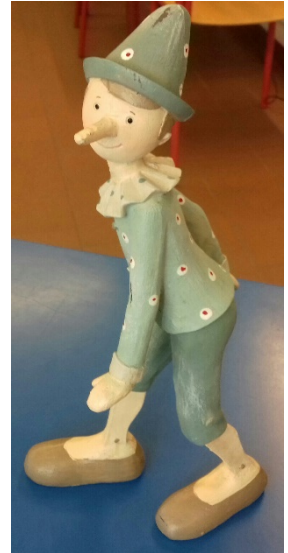
Hi! My name's Pinocchio and I'm from Italy.

I'm a puppet made of wood. I like colours, travelling and having adventures

Some weeks ago I visited the Venetian lagoon because I live nearby, in Oriago on the River Brenta where my school is.

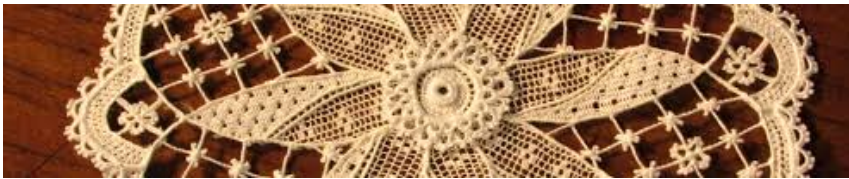
With my nice boat I went to Torcello island where centuries ago the first Venetians settled seeking a new home after Barbarian invasions.

I saw churches, a strange *throne* made of stone (they say it was Attila's throne, but it is not true: I know it) and a very special bridge called the Devil's Bridge.



The legend tells that every December 24th the Devil comes to Torcello under a shape of a black cat waiting for some children's souls... So don't go there that night, please!!!

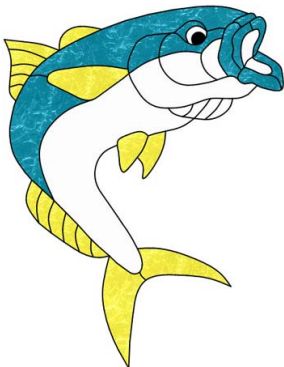
Then I visited Burano, a famous island for its coloured houses, its laces, fishing and its very good biscuits called *Buranei*: yummy!



Before getting to Venice my last stop was in Murano, another island, with its many glass shops and factories.



I loved watching *maestri vetrai* (master glass-workers) using glass-blowing to create beautiful objects like animals, chandeliers, bowls and jars.



Then I went to Oriago where my dad Geppetto was waiting for me to have dinner together.

Fish, of course ...