TA 8-Unit 4: Our customs and traditions

C. READING

I. Read the conversation and choose the correct answer.

Hoa: Hello, Lan.

Lan: Hi, Hoa. You seem (1) .....

Hoa: I am. I (2) ..... a letter from my friend Nien today.

Lan: Do I know her?

Hoa: I don't think so. She was my next - door neighbor (3) ..... Hue.

Lan: What does she look (4) .....?

Hoa: Oh. She's beautiful. Here is her photograph.

Lan: What a lovely smile! Was she your classmate?

Hoa: Oh, no. She was (5) ..... to be in my class.

1.	A. happy	B. happily	C. more happy	D. more happily
2.	A. receive	B. received	C. receives	D. receiving
3.	A. on	B. at	C. to	D. in
4.	A. likes	B. liked	C. like	D. to like
5.	A. old not enough		B. enough old not	
	C. not old enough		D. not enough old	

II. Read the passage about family traditions in Viet Nam, and fill in the blanks with the suitable words.

importance	**there**	**because**	**ancestors**	**by**
arrange	**more**	**responsible**	**look**	**after**

Marriage and family are very important in Viet Nam. In the countryside, parents often (1) _____ marriages; divorce remains uncommon, though is (2) _____ frequent in cities. In traditional Vietnamese families, roles are rigid. The man of the house is primarily (3) _____ for the family's economic well-being. Older children help to (4) _____ after younger siblings. Discipline is viewed as a parental duty.

The woman of the house looks (5) _____ her parents, husband and children. In rural areas, women also do much agricultural work. Vietnamese women live (6) _____ the "four virtues": hard work, beauty, refined speech and excellent conduct.

The Vietnamese attach great (7) _____ to two traditional family obligations: to care for their parents in their old age and to worship them after death. In each Vietnamese family, (8) _____ is at least one altar on which there are the pictures of their ancestors. Family members worship their ancestors (9) _____ they think parents after death will go to live in another world and this altar is the place where the ancestors' souls live in. As a result, every day Vietnamese people lay flowers or sometimes fruits on the altar for the belief that those (10) _____ will enjoy them.

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III. Read the passage about introducing Vietnamese customs to foreigners, and then choose the best answer A, B, C or D.

The Vietnamese are known to be polite, hospitable and sensitive. They have a casual and friendly (1) _____. They regard friendship as being very important throughout one's life. They are always open to visits from friends. Drop-in visits are welcome. The Vietnamese are very (2) _____ to their family.

When they (3) _____ you a gift, the Vietnamese will usually speak lightly about it. Even though it is an expensive gift, they may pretend it is of no great monetary value.

(4) _____ 4,000 years of civilization, the Vietnamese are proud people who like to recite to a myth that they are descendants of an angel and a dragon.

If you happen to be in their homes at meal time, the Vietnamese will probably (5) ___ you to sit down and share whatever food is (6) _____. Let them know that you enjoy their food is one way in successfully (7) _____ a better relationship with them.

When they invite you to their homes for a meal, celebration, or special occasion, some (8) _____ - usually food, fruits, chocolate or liquors - should be offered to the host's family.

1.	A. tradition	B. feature	C. culture	D. manner
2.	A. closed	B. closing	C. close	D. being closed
3.	A. offer	B. carry	C. send	D. sell
4.	A. Of	B. With	C. At	D. In
5.	A. take	B. require	C. speak	D. invite
6.	A. good	B. present	C. available	D. delicious
7.	A. setting	B. building	C. taking	D. being
8.	A. gifts	B. invitations	C. offers	D. situations

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