

**A.**

picturesque          rituals          goodness          among  
perform          spiritual          held          incense

Together with Bai Dinh and Yen Tu Pagoda Festival, Huong Pagoda Festival is (1)\_\_\_\_\_ the greatest Buddhist festivals in northern part of Vietnam. Huong

Pagoda festival plays an important role in the (2)\_\_\_\_\_ life of Vietnamese people in general Vietnamese Buddhists in particular.

As other festivals in Vietnam, Huong Pagoda Festival is divided into two parts: the ceremonies and the entertaining activities. Ceremonial (3)\_\_\_\_\_ consist of incense offering procession and Zen ceremony in which Monks and Buddhists offer (4)\_\_\_\_\_, flowers, candles and fruits. During the ceremony, two monks (5)\_\_\_\_\_ beautiful and flexible dances.

There are also entertaining activities include enjoying a boat cruise along Yen Stream for watching (6)\_\_\_\_\_ scenery, climbing mountains and exploring holy caves. In addition, cultural activities and sporting contests are also (7)\_\_\_\_\_ on the occasion of Huong Pagoda Festival: boat racing, climbing, folk song singing, etc.

The Huong pagoda festival is imbued with a national identity in which people are oriented towards Truth, Beauty, and (8)\_\_\_\_\_.

**B.**

**HUE FESTIVAL**

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| visitors     | fireworks    | international | tranquil | history     |
| competitions | participants | cultural      | aims     | traditional |

Hue Festival is a biannual (1) \_\_\_\_\_ event celebrated in even years in order to honour Hue's cultural heritage as well as Vietnam's national identity towards people from all over the world. With a quite long (2) \_\_\_\_\_ since 1992, each time of celebration has had a distinctive festive theme, which never fails to draw attractions from millions of (3) \_\_\_\_\_ expected events of this (4) \_\_\_\_\_ city. In 2000, the event attained its official name 'Hue Festival' as today. In this special event, a wide variety of (5) \_\_\_\_\_ activities of Vietnam such as calligraphy exhibition, kites playing and human chess playing are conducted. Also, re-creations of special events are carried out, such as the occasion of Nguyen Hue's enthronement and Nguyen Dynasty's Doctoral examinations, and performances of dance and (6) \_\_\_\_\_ ate included.

The festival (7) \_\_\_\_\_ at promoting several kinds of arts as well, with the participation of over 40 art companies from both Vietnam and (8) \_\_\_\_\_ countries.

From all over the world, thousands of artists gather at Hue to demonstrate their talents, delivering exhibitions, fairs, and (9) ..... to over 40 venues throughout the city.

All in all, the festival generates the feeling of excitement, joy and delight among (10) ..... and observers regardless of gender, age and nationality.