

TA9. U4. Remembering the past. Grammar + Vocabulary

A. Circle the correct option in brackets.

1. They (watched / were watching) a movie when their friends called.
2. At 9 pm yesterday, he (was packing / packed) for his upcoming trip.
3. What were you doing when the phone (was ringing / rang)?
4. They were feeling lost when they finally (asked / were asking) for directions.
5. It was snowing snow all day, so they (were deciding / decided) to stay indoors.
6. At this time last month, she (was studying / studied) for her final exams.
7. We were having a conversation with a stranger on the bus when we (realized / were realizing) we knew each other!
8. She was having a headache all day, so she (needed / was needing) to stay home.
9. While my mom was washing the dishes, my dad (read / was reading) the news.
10. She was knitting a scarf when I (was seeing / saw) her walking down the street.

B. Fill in each blank with a suitable word or phrase from the box.

historical, custom, generations, ancestors, communal house

relics, worship, takeaway, observed, national identity

1. Unlike today's nuclear families, extended families living together were the _____ in Vietnam's past.
2. Hoa carefully examined the ancient tools and the differences between them and _____ modern equipment.
3. In the _____ museum, we learned about the clothing people wore in Vietnam during the time of the emperors.
4. In the past, most families in Vietnam cooked meals at home instead of relying on _____ food.
5. Traditionally, Vietnamese families place a high value on respecting their elders and honoring their _____.
6. Vietnamese villagers often placed offerings of fruit and flowers at the village shrine to _____ their ancestors.
7. In some parts of Vietnam's past, families often lived together in a _____, which is a large house with shared spaces.
8. Archaeologists carefully dug up the ground and found _____ of an ancient temple, including broken statues and pottery shards.

9. Vietnamese clothing styles have changed throughout history, but the *áo dài* remains a symbol of _____.

10. The way families live together in Vietnam has shifted across _____.

In the past, it was common for multiple generations to share a home.

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