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## UNIT 3:

# PEOPLES OF VIETNAM

## Part 2: Grammar

### I. Choose the best expression in response to each sentence.

1. 'Is it true that Y Moan was the greatest pop singer of the Ede?' '\_\_\_\_\_'
  - a. Really?
  - b. How beautiful!
  - c. Come on!
  - d. Exactly.
2. 'Look at this dish, Nick. It has five colours.' '\_\_\_\_\_'
  - a. How nice!
  - b. What a shame!
  - c. Sounds bad.
  - d. Okay.
3. 'In some ethnic groups, women play the leading role in the family' '\_\_\_\_\_'
  - a. Well, of course.
  - b. I don't think so.
  - c. Wow, that's surprising!
  - d. It's all right
4. 'After a 20 day homestay tom, I can use chopsticks, harvest rice, and cook some Vietnamese dish.' '\_\_\_\_\_'
  - a. Yeah, I'd like to.
  - b. That's awesome!
  - c. It's wrong.
  - d. No problem.
5. 'The ethnic minorities are mainly concentrated in Northern Uplands and Central Highlands.' '\_\_\_\_\_'
  - a. Oh, I see.
  - b. So far so good.
  - c. How convenient!
  - d. Almost certainly.
6. 'I have two tickets to a gong performance. Would you like to go?' '\_\_\_\_\_ What time?'
  - a. Sorry, I can't.
  - b. Not very good.
  - c. Yes, I'd like that.
  - d. Never mind.
7. 'Let's go to the local open-air market' '\_\_\_\_\_'
  - a. Good idea.
  - b. I'd love to.
  - c. Not at all.
  - d. Yes, of course.
8. 'Tomorrow we will go to Coc Ly market. You can buy lots of handmade items there.' '\_\_\_\_\_'
  - a. What a pity!
  - b. How interesting
  - c. How thoughtful!
  - d. Well done.

**II. Complete each sentence with a suitable question word.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ ethnic group has larger population, Cho Ro or Chu Ru?  
– ChoRo.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ groups of languages do all ethnic groups speak?  
– Eight groups.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ is the biggest house in the village?  
– It's the communal house.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ arts are displayed in a museum in Da Nang city?  
– The Cham's.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ do the San Diu mainly live?  
– In Quang Ninh province.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ do the Thai hold ceremonies to worship their ancestors?  
– Every year.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ is the village chief of the Phu La?  
– The oldest man.
8. \_\_\_\_\_ is it from here, to the communal house?  
– Just about one kilometre.
9. \_\_\_\_\_ is “*khan pieu*”?  
– It's a shawl with colorful embroidery.
10. \_\_\_\_\_ do they cook five coloured sticky rice?  
– On special occasions.

**III. Underline the correct option. This may include a space (–) for zero article.**

1. Vietnam is *a/an/the* multiethnic country with 54 ethnic groups.
2. The Viet (Kinh) people account for 87% of *a/the/–* country's population.
3. Chaul Chnam Thmey is *a/an/the* celebration of New Year by Khmers.
4. Folk singing of the Bru-Van Kieu is popular, particularly cha chap and sim, *the/a/an* alternating chant between young men and women.
5. Ancestor worship is *the/a/–* most important religious activity among the Bru-Van Kieu.
6. The La Ha grow *the/–/a* cotton but do not weave.
7. The Rong house of the Xo Dang is *a/an/the* big stilt house with a high roof which looks like *a/an/the* axe.

8. The young Co Ho women play *an / a / the* active role in marriage.
9. The Ba Na are one of *the / a / an* oldest ethnic minority groups living in *a / - / the* Central Highlands.
10. *The / A / -* right of inheritance in Ede families is only for *the / - / a* daughters.
11. Y Phon lives in the city, but his family still live in *a / the / -* small village in *a / - / the* mountains.
12. *A / The / -* M'Nong live in houses built on *the / - / a* stilts or level with *a / - / the* ground.

#### IV. Complete the sentences with *a*, *an* or *the*.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ number of ethnic minorities had mastered some farming techniques.
2. The Kinh or Viet is \_\_\_\_\_ largest group, accounting for 86 percent of \_\_\_\_\_ population of Vietnam.
3. The Thai have \_\_\_\_\_ population of over one million people, account for approximately 1.8% of \_\_\_\_\_ Vietnamese population.
4. Dao women usually wear \_\_\_\_\_ long blouse with \_\_\_\_\_ dress or trousers.
5. Mua sap is \_\_\_\_\_ folk dance of \_\_\_\_\_ Muong.
6. The Raglai have \_\_\_\_\_ musical instrument made of bamboo called \_\_\_\_\_ *chapi*.
7. S'tieng is \_\_\_\_\_ ethnic group living mostly in \_\_\_\_\_ southern provinces of Vietnam.
8. Gathering and hunting still play \_\_\_\_\_ important role in \_\_\_\_\_ economy of the Laha.
9. Vietnam has 54 ethnic groups and more than 40 of \_\_\_\_\_ groups living in \_\_\_\_\_ highlands.
10. When eating is finished, the Dao have \_\_\_\_\_ tradition that they never put down the chopsticks on \_\_\_\_\_ bowl.

#### V. Complete the text with *a/an*, *the* or leave blank (-)for zero article.

The space of gong culture in Central Highlands covers five provinces of Kon Tum, Gia Lai, Dak Lak, Dak Nong and Lam Dong. Masters of this art are (1) \_\_\_\_\_ ethnic people of Bahna, Sedang, M'nong, Coho, Ede, Giarai...

Gongs appear in (2)\_\_\_\_\_ most important events of (3)\_\_\_\_\_ community such as ceremony for babies, weddings, funerals, celebration of new houses, harvests, etc.

Gongs have different sizes with diameter ranging from 20cm to 120cm. (4)\_\_\_\_\_ set of gongs has 2 to 20 units. A gong orchestra consists of 3, 5 or 6 basic sounds and (5)\_\_\_\_\_ additional 12 or more sounds. In most groups, gongs are reserved for males. In Ma and M'nong, both males and females can play (6)\_\_\_\_\_ gongs.

With their plenty, uniqueness and diversity, gongs hold (7)\_\_\_\_\_ special position in Vietnam's traditional music. That is also a basis leading to (8)\_\_\_\_\_ recognition of the space of gong culture as (9)\_\_\_\_\_ Masterpiece of (10)\_\_\_\_\_ Intangible Heritage of Humanity by UNESCO.

## VI. Change each sentence into a question using the question words in brackets.

1. The girl with a shawl on her head is a member of the Thai. (who)

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2. The Khmer have three main festivals in a year. (how many)

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3. Odu is the smallest ethnic group in Vietnam. (which)

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4. Ok Om Bok Festival is the biggest festival of Khmer people. (what)

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5. We can find terraced fields in the northern mountainous regions. (where)

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6. Bom Bo village is about 200 kilometres from Ho Chi Minh city. (how far)

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7. They built their houses on stilts to prevent flooding from tides or storms. (why)

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8. The population of the Tay ethnic group is about 1.7 million. (what)

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9. The Tay have lived in Vietnam for thousands of years. (how long)

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10. The M'nong mainly live in Dak Lak province. (where)

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**VII. Write the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first one.**

1. Your village is so beautiful!

**What** \_\_\_\_\_

2. How long is it since you built this stilt house?

**When** \_\_\_\_\_

3. Living in a big city is more convenient than living in a village.

**It's** \_\_\_\_\_

4. Where does he live?

**What** \_\_\_\_\_

5. Although the villagers are quite poor, they live a happy and healthy way.

**In spite of** \_\_\_\_\_

6. What did the local people say?

**Could you tell me** \_\_\_\_\_

7. Romantic films interest me more than war films.

**I find** \_\_\_\_\_

8. A lot of people take the train from Oxford to London every day.

**A lot of people travel** \_\_\_\_\_

9. How about asking the local people for help?

**Why** \_\_\_\_\_

10. Is there an ancestral altar in the La Chi's largest apartment?

**Does** \_\_\_\_\_