

VOCABULARY (Unit 5: Festivals in Vietnam)

Exercise 5: Match one word/ phrase in A with another B.

A	B
1. float	a. the gong
2. worship	b. a ceremony
3. practice	c. lanterns
4. defeat	d. ancestors
5. hold	e. a ritual
6. perform	f. the procession
7. play	g. invaders
8. lead	h. the dragon dance

Exercise 6: Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

cave	Buddhism	buffalo fighting	five-fruit tray
candle	fisherman	coconuts	dragon boat

- My parents always prepare a before Tet.
- The practice of meditation is a very important part of
- is a traditional activity in Do Son.
- It's so dark. Let's light a
- Son Doong is one of the biggest caves in the world.
- We have lots of in our hometown.
- They join in a race during the Tet holiday.
- This is poor but he is very kind.

Exercise 7: Choose the best answer (A, B, C or D).

- Next time, when my Australian friend comes over Vietnam, I will introduce fermented spring rolls him.
A. about B. for C. to D. with
- The atmosphere of the night party was so that everybody enjoyed it to the full.
A. excited B. exciting C. excite D. excitement
- I the Buffalo Fighting Festival on the television, and I felt a little scared.
A. saw B. watched C. heard D. listened to
- The decorations of the ceremony are so
A. catch eyes B. catching – eyes C. eye – catching D. eyes catch
- The Hung King Temple Festival was a local festival....., it has become a public holiday in Viet Nam since 2007.
A. But B. Therefore C. Meanwhile D. However
- Kids really adore the Mid-Autumn Festival..... they can sing, dance, and enjoy moon-cakes.
A. therefore B. because of C. because D. so
- The Giong festival is held to Saint Giong who defeated the invaders.
A. remember B. commemorate C. miss D. remind
- Hue is very famous for its royal court
A. dances B. stories C. music D. songs
- The lion and dragon dances performed at the opening ceremony of the festival was very.....
A. impressed B. impress C. impressive D. impressing

10. This American man has tried only two traditional dishes of Vietnam,..... he strongly believes that Vietnamese foods are very suitable for him.

- A. however B. although C. so D. but

Exercise 8: Complete each sentence with an appropriate word. The first letter of each word is given.

1. At Tet, Vietnamese people usually **d**_____ their homes with yellow apricot blossoms or peach blossoms.
2. Vietnamese believe that the colour of red and yellow will bring good **f**_____.
3. We have the custom of lighting the candles and burning **i**_____ before praying in front of the altar.
4. His grandmother's funeral was a private **c**_____ attended only by the family.
5. Streets lead to Huong pagoda are very **c**_____ during its festival time.
6. On the first day of Tet, Vietnamese people often visit a pagoda to **p**_____ for good luck and happiness.
7. Buddhist **o**_____ include fruit, flowers, incense and candles.
8. The Giong Festival is held to commemorate Saint Giong who **d**_____ the An invaders.

IX. Complete the sentences with the correct words. Use the pictures as a clue.

archway lantern reunion offerings ceremony anniversary
procession performance carnival ritual

1. Their wedding _____ was held in the county park.
2. This is the band's first live _____ since last year.
3. Buddhist monks perform a prayer _____ in the main hall of the pagoda.
4. We went through a stone _____ into the garden.
5. The _____ in Rio de Janeiro is a festival held every year and considered the biggest in the world.
6. Hoi An _____ Festival takes place monthly – on the 14th day of each lunar month.
7. Our grandparents celebrated their 50th wedding _____ last week.



8. We have a family _____ every New Year's Day.

9. Lots of people poured down the street to watch a colourful _____ of dragon dances, lion dances.

10. Many people visit the shrines to make _____ of fruit or rice to the gods.



X. Complete the sentences with the correct form or tense of the verbs from the box.

worship preserve cheer offer pray commemorate perform float

1. *Quan ho* singing is _____ in traditional festivals in Bac Ninh.
2. On Tet holiday, Vietnamese people _____ their ancestors a five-fruit tray.
3. I enjoy going to Huong Pagoda and _____ Buddha.
4. The book will be published in October to _____ the 100th anniversary of Morris's death.
5. The crowds are shouting and _____ to encourage their teams.
6. We should _____ our tradition and culture for future generations.
7. Lotus lanterns are _____ on the small river in the old town.
8. On the first day of the New Year, we visit the temples _____ for good fortune and health.