

## UNIT 6: OUR TET HOLIDAY

### A. PHONETICS

a. Find the word which has a different sound in the part underlined. Read the words aloud

1. A. <u>home</u>	B. <u>pagoda</u>	C. <u>clothes</u>	D. <u>flower</u>
2. A. <u>visit</u>	B. <u>like</u>	C. <u>city</u>	D. <u>wish</u>
3. A. <u>relative</u>	B. <u>decorate</u>	C. <u>present</u>	D. <u>prepare</u>
4. A. <u>plant</u>	B. <u>chat</u>	C. <u>make</u>	D. <u>family</u>
5. A. <u>celebrate</u>	B. <u>come</u>	C. <u>cook</u>	D. <u>cousin</u>

b. Practise saying the following sentences with a focus on the underlined words.

1. Can you show me the way to the city centre?
2. What should you do to celebrate Tet?
3. We should clean and decorate the house.
4. We shouldn't drink too much wine.
5. We should make a wish when Tet comes.

### B. VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR

a. Circle A, B, C or D for each picture



1. A. banh chung
- B. banh tet
- C. banh day
- D. banh bao



2. A. lucky money
- B. balloons
- C. firecrackers
- D. plants



3. A. swimming pool
- B. decorating house
- C. cleaning house
- D. painting house



- 4. A. visiting grandparents
- B. sleeping with grandparents
- C. shopping with grandparents
- D. tidying up with grandparents



- 5. A. lucky money
- B. new clothes
- C. peach blossom
- D. family gathering

**b. Find a word to complete the following sentences**

1. We always \_\_\_\_\_ our grandparents and our relatives on the first day of Tet.
2. I \_\_\_\_\_ our grandparents good health and a long life.
3. Our grandparents often give us good advice and \_\_\_\_\_ money when we visit them at Tet.
4. My sister and I always wear \_\_\_\_\_ clothes at Tet.
5. There are many beautiful \_\_\_\_\_ in our garden at Tet. They are really colourful.
6. My friend likes \_\_\_\_\_ banh chung and spring rolls (nem) at Tet.
7. I often go \_\_\_\_\_ with my mother before Tet.
8. When spring comes, the students in my school often plant a lot of \_\_\_\_\_ in our school garden.
9. At New Year's Eve, I usually go to Hoan Kiem Lake to \_\_\_\_\_ firecrackers with my parents.
10. I wish this New Year everyone will \_\_\_\_\_ a job and enough food.

**c. What should/ shouldn't you do at Tet? Complete the sentences.**

1. You \_\_\_\_\_ buy firecrackers.
2. You \_\_\_\_\_ clean and decorate your house.
3. You \_\_\_\_\_ eat too much sweets.
4. You \_\_\_\_\_ wish all the people you know "Happy New Year".
5. You \_\_\_\_\_ help your mother with cooking.
6. You \_\_\_\_\_ quarrel with each other.
7. You \_\_\_\_\_ go to a pagoda to pray for good health and good luck.
8. You \_\_\_\_\_ play cards for money.
9. You \_\_\_\_\_ stay up late.
10. You \_\_\_\_\_ watch too much TV.

**d. Choose the correct answer A,B,C or D to complete the sentences.**

1. My mother is a good cook. She often \_\_\_\_\_ special food at Tet.  
A. buys      B. cooks      C. takes      D. brings
2. Did you like to \_\_\_\_\_ *banh chung* at Tet?  
A. know      B. eat      C. help      D. do
3. People often \_\_\_\_\_ red envelopes for lucky money at Tet.  
A. bring      B. take      C. buy      D. ask
4. Before Tet, people often give \_\_\_\_\_ to show their love and respect.  
A. firecrackers B. plants      C. food      D. presents
5. Tet is a time for family \_\_\_\_\_

A. working      B. cooking      C. playing      D. gathering

### C. READING

a. Read the passage about Lunar New Year (Tet) in Viet Nam, then answer the following questions.



Lunar New Year is one of the festivals celebrated in some Asian countries. It is the greatest Vietnamese festival. It is called Tet in Viet Nam. It usually takes place between the end of January and the beginning of February.

Celebrations begin with the family reunion dinner which is held on the New Year's Eve. Every member of the family is eager to attend this family feast. The feast usually consists of *banh chung* or *banh tet*, spring rolls, chicken and some other special food.

The children usually wear clothes and go with their parents to visit their grandparents and relatives. The children say "Happy New Year" to all the people they visit and are often given lucky money in red envelopes. They are very happy.

1. When does the Lunar New Year take place?

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2. When do the Vietnamese hold their family reunion dinner?

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3. What do the Vietnamese children usually do at Tet?

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4. What are the children often given at Tet?

5. How do the children feel?

**b. Read the passage and decide if the statements are true (T) or false (F).**

A few days before Tet comes, my family has much work to do. My mother begins cleaning and decorating the house. My father and I help her. We tidy up the house until it is spick and span. Our house is so neat and tidy. The decoration looks lovely.

During Tet, I help my mother to serve food and drinks when our relatives or friends visit us. I feel proud of myself to help my parents.

	T	F
1. A few days before Tet comes, the family does a lot of work.		
2. They don't decorate the house		
3. The writer help the mother to cook the meal.		
4. The family invites the guests to have food and drinks when they come.		
5. The writer feels tired to help the parents		

**c. Read the passages above again and complete the sentences with the words given.**

*reunion      tidy      lucky money      decorate      festival*

1. Tet is the greatest \_\_\_\_\_ in Viet Nam.
2. Before Tet, people often clean and \_\_\_\_\_ their house.
3. Family \_\_\_\_\_ dinner is held on the New Year's Eve.
4. At Tet, all houses look neat and \_\_\_\_\_
5. Children are often given \_\_\_\_\_ in red envelopes.

## D. Writing

### a. Write true sentences about New Year practices in different countries, using the words/ phrases given.

1. the USA/ when the clock/ strike/ midnight/ ,/ everybody/ cheering/ and/ singing/ happily.
2. getting up/ on/ the first day/ of the New Year/ ,/ the Chinese children/ dress/ beautifully/ red.
3. every Vietnamese family/ buy or cook/ *banh chung* or *banh tet*/ Tet
4. Japanese people/ believe/ ringing bells/ can/ remove/ their bad actions/ previous year.
5. the Scottish/ believe/ the first footer/ the New Year's day/ decides/ the family's luck/ the rest/ the year.

### b. Fill in each gap of the letter with *will* or *won't*

Dear Mary,

How are you?

I am very glad because Tet is coming.

It's our New Year celebration.

Before Tet, I (1) \_\_\_\_\_ help my family with the house decorations. I (2) \_\_\_\_\_ go to the flower market with my mother and my sister. We (3) \_\_\_\_\_ a peach blossom tree and some flowers. Then, my mother (4) \_\_\_\_\_ buy some new clothes for us. We (5) \_\_\_\_\_ buy some sweets, some coffee and some tea but we (6) \_\_\_\_\_ buy cigarettes. My father gave up smoking. We (7) \_\_\_\_\_ make spring rolls and I like it. We (8) \_\_\_\_\_ cook *banh tet*. They are really delicious. I (9) \_\_\_\_\_ visit my grandparents and my relatives with my parents. The thing I like best is I (10) \_\_\_\_\_ have to do my homework at Tet. I have a lot of time to relax.

Write to me.

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### c. Now write your own letter to your pen friend telling him/her about Tet holiday. Use the idea above.

Dear.....

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