UNIT 6. OUR TET HOLIDAY

I. Complete the conversation with the questions from the box.

A. What do you do during Tet?
B. Do you go home at Tet?
C. I wish you a happy new year!
D. What should you do at Tet?
E. What do you do to prepare for Tet?

Tom : (1) _____

Phong : Yes. Tet is a time for family gathering.

Tom : (2) _____

Phong : We clean and decorate our house with peach flowers and plants. We cook some special food such as banh chung and bamboo soup. We prepare a five-fruit tray, some sweets, cookies and jam.

Tom : (3) _____

Phong : We dress beautifully and visit our relatives and friends. We also go to the temples and pagodas to pray for a happy year.

Tom : (4) _____

Phong : We should say "Happy new year" when we meet people and shouldn't break anything.

Tom : (5) _____

Phong : Thank you. May all your wishes in the new year come true!

II. Fill each blank with one word from the box.

wish **special** **shopping** **gatherings** **decorations** **holiday**

Tet or lunar New Year is the most important (1) _____ in Viet Nam. It usually happens in late January or early February. Tet holiday is the best occasion for family (2) _____ . Before Tet, Vietnamese people often go (3) _____ . The items of shopping are: food, new clothes, peach flowers and household (4) _____ . People often make banh Chung, the main food for Tet and other (5) _____ foods. During Tet, they always smile and behave nicely. They (6) _____ family member, relatives and friends good luck and give lucky money to children. The Vietnamese believe that Tet is an occasion to enjoy life after a hard-working year.

III. Use the given words/ phrases to make complete sentences, make any change if necessary.

1. My mother/ usually/ cook / special food/ Tet.

☞ _____

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2. Children/ should/ not/ eat/ lots/ sweets/.

☞ _____

3. There/ be/ not/ interesting activities/ Tet/ here/.

☞ _____

4. They/ usually go/ Times Square/ watch/ New Year's Eve Ball/ drop/.

☞ _____

5. Viet Nam/ people/ give/ lucky/ money/ old people/ children/.

☞ _____

IV. Complete the second sentence so that it has the same meaning as the first one, using SHOULD or SHOULDN'T.

1. It's good if children help their parents decorate the house.

☞ Children _____decorate the house.

2. It's good if children go to bed early.

☞ Children _____early.

3. People think that breaking things at Tet is bad luck.

☞ You _____at Tet. It is bad luck.

4. It's very important not to drink the water there. It will make you ill.

☞ You _____the water here. It will make you will.

5. Playing games all night is not good for small children.

☞ Small children _____all night.

V. Rewrite the sentences.

1. It's a good idea for you to get up early.

☞ You _____early.

2. You should study harder.

☞ If _____harder.

3. You shouldn't cheat at exams.

☞ I advise _____at exams.

4. It is important for you to be polite at Tet. (**must**)

☞ You _____at Tet.

5. I think we should bring an umbrella or a raincoat. (**better**)

☞ I think we _____an umbrella or a rain coat.

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