

My Son Sanctuary is regarded as one of the main religious centers of Hinduism in Southeast Asia and is the foremost heritage site of this nature in Vietnam. Notably, among 225 Cham vestiges that are founded in Vietnam, My Son possesses 71 monuments and 32 epitaphs, the content of which is still being studied. My Son Sanctuary is often compared with other historical temple complexes in Southeast Asia, such as Borobudur of Java in Indonesia, Angkor Wat in Cambodia, Bagan of Myanmar or Ayutthaya in Thailand.

My Son Sanctuary was honored as one of the UNESCO World Heritage Sites at the 23rd session of the World Heritage Committee in 1999. Based on architectural remains, My Son perhaps began construction in 4th century. It is perhaps the longest inhabited archaeological site in Indochina. Although time and wars have turned numerous tower-temples into ruins, sculptural artifacts and architectural remains still reflected golden age of Cham fine arts history. These masterpieces have marked flourishing periods of Champa culture and architecture as well as in Southeast Asia.

A. Decide whether the following sentences are true (T) or false (F).

1. My Son Sanctuary dates from the 4th century.
2. My Son Sanctuary is located in a valley surrounded by mountains.
3. It can be seen that My Son Sanctuary is a centre of culture and politics of Champa Kingdom at the present time.
4. My Son Sanctuary can't be compared to Angkor Wat, Bagan, and Borobudur.
5. Some tower-temples of the My Son Sanctuary were destroyed by wars and time.
6. My Son sanctuary is still considered as one of the most excellent achievement of the art of sculptures and architecture in Champa Kingdom.

B. Answer the following questions.

7. How far is it from Da Nang to My Son Sanctuary?

8. What did My Son use to be?

9. How many Cham vestiges are there in My Son?

10. When was My Son recognized as a World Heritage Site by UNESCO?

XI. Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word in capital.

1. They consider Sara is one of the best students in her school. (BE)

Sara _____

2. It's pity she doesn't share memories of her trip with me. (WISH)

I _____

3. Emily has to work part-time on Saturday, so she can't accompany her best friend to the contest. (COULD)

If _____

4. Shall we surf the net for the location of Ninh Binh Province? (SUGGEST)

I _____

5. Someone is going to redecorate the kitchen for us next month. (HAVE)

We _____

6. People hope that cable cars construction to Son Doong Cave will be stopped. (IS)

It _____

7. "When are you going to submit your research paper?" my teacher asked me. (WAS)

My teacher _____

8. When you come inside you should remove your coat and hat. (TAKE)

When _____

9. When will you book the flight for your trip to Vietnam? (BE)

When _____

10. I'm interested in the news about ancient towns. (FIND)

I _____

XII. Write a passage about a wonder of Vietnam that you are most interested in. Use the following questions as clues.

- What is the wonder you like?
- Where is it?
- What are the features of that wonder?
- What makes you impressed most?
- Why do you find it interesting?
- How do you feel when you visit it?

UNIT 6 ➤ VIET NAM: THEN AND NOW

A. PHONETICS

I. Write the words from the box in the correct part of the table according to the stress pattern.

Don't turn right!	Don't cry!	Wait for me!	Don't forget!
Help me!	Keep moving!	Finish it!	Stay there!

OO	
OoO	
OOO	
OOo	

II. Write the stress pattern for each following sentence.

Example: Hang on! - OO

1. Watch your steps! _____
2. Get up! _____
3. Don't touch! _____
4. Pardon me? _____
5. Just do it! _____
6. Don't move! _____
7. Who cares? _____
8. Don't go! _____

B. VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR

I. Complete each sentence with the correct word(s). Take the picture next to each sentence as a clue.

1. A(n) _____ is a road or path that goes underneath a railway or another road.



2. Another _____ will be opened to traffic by the end of this year.



3. In the countryside, most people lived in _____ with dirt floors.



4. At a length of 6.28km, Hai Van _____ is the longest tunnel in Southeast Asia.



5. The Hague is an immaculate city, where you're more likely to see bicycles and _____ than cars.



6. A network of _____ is an effective response to overcrowding and urban chaos.



7. _____ were commonly worn by Vietnamese soldiers during Vietnam's two national resistance wars.



8. _____ runs through all important downtown districts and major transport hubs in Bangkok.



II. Complete the sentences with the words from the box.

trench	nuclear	extended	mushroomed	initial
compartment	launched	boom	tiled	facilities

- Over the last 2 decades, Vietnam has experienced a rapid construction _____.
- _____ include a large indoor pool, jacuzzi and sauna.
- A _____ family is a family group consisting of two parents and their children.
- From the upper rooms of the houses may be seen a large number of old _____ roofs.
- In recent years, the number of skyscrapers has _____ in Ho Chi Minh City.
- After some _____ hesitation, teachers seem to have accepted the new system.
- A typical _____ family consists of multiple generations living together in the same household.
- On the way home we shared our first-class _____ with a group of businessmen.
- The Cat Linh-Ha Dong elevated railway is expected to be _____ in 2018.
- They are digging a _____ to hold a water pipe which will divert water from the river.

III. Underline the correct word.

- There has been a *considerable* / *considerably* rise in the number of people moving to Ho Chi Minh City.
- The educational system has *slight* / *slightly* been improved to meet the demands of employers.
- Vietnam has *gradual* / *gradually* built up a reputation as a major exporter of rice.
- Living standard in rural areas has witnessed a *significant* / *significantly* upgrade over the past 10 years.

5. Vietnam has changed *dramatic / dramatically* over the last two decades.
6. Vietnam is experiencing *rapid / rapidly* demographic and social change.
7. It was *noticeable / noticeably* how a few people managed to impose their will on the others.
8. The death toll was *initial / initially* reported at around 250, but was later revised to 300.
9. You will find it *convenient / conveniently* getting around Nagoya by bus and subway.
10. We have a buoyant economy and unemployment is *considerable / considerably* lower than the regional average.

IV. Rewrite the following sentences, using the adjectives or adverbs in brackets.

1. There has been a great improvement in my English speaking skill over the last three years. (dramatically)

→ My English speaking skill _____

2. There is a minor increase in the number of unemployed graduates this year, (slightly)

→ The number _____

3. The number of Vietnamese students studying in the U.S has risen little by little. (gradual)

→ There has been _____

4. There has been enormous growth in the economy this year. (considerably)

→ The economy _____

5. The number of foreign tourists to Vietnam has decreased quickly during the past years. (rapid)

→ There has been _____

6. There was a big fall in our coffee exports due to bad weather. (significantly)

→ Our coffee exports _____

7. There will be a gradual decrease in the price of computers. (steadily)

→ The price _____

8. The traffic system in Vietnam has changed a lot in recent years. (dramatic)

→ There has been _____

V. Fill in the blank with the past perfect form of the verb in brackets.

1. After the war _____ (end), Vietnamese people focused on dealing with domestic matters.

2. How long _____ (they/ be) married before he died?

3. Before the invention of Internet, most people _____ (read) newspapers to update current events.

4. Why didn't you want to watch the film? _____ (you/ see) it before?

5. She _____ (not have) any experience in business communication, so we offered her a training course.

6. Before the introduction of low-cost airlines, Vietnamese _____ (mostly/ travel) by coach.

7. _____ (you/ learn) about Vietnam war before you made the presentation about it?

8. Ethan suddenly realised that he _____ (leave) his laptop on the train.

9. My house was very dirty because I _____ (not clean) it for weeks.

10. She couldn't get access to the Internet because she _____ (not pay) the bill.

VI. Complete the sentence with the past simple or past perfect form of the verb in brackets.

1. They _____ (live) in Paris for 10 years before they _____ (move) home.
2. As soon as I _____ (download) the document, I knew I _____ (make) a mistake.
3. Mary _____ (ring) John's doorbell at 8:15 yesterday but John _____ (already/ leave) the house.
4. By the time the firemen _____ (arrive), the fire _____ (destroy) three houses.
5. Our economy _____ (not stand) a chance of developing before the government _____ (adopt) the open-door policy.
6. When I last _____ (speak) to her, she still _____ (not finish) her assignment.
7. Nobody _____ (come) to the meeting because Angela _____ (forget) to tell them about it.
8. She _____ (go) to Disneyland three times when she _____ (be) a little girl.
9. After I _____ (complete) the form, I _____ (give) it to the secretary.
10. Sarah _____ (drive) three hundred miles by the time she _____ (arrive) in Tacoma.

VII. Fill in each blank with one adjective from the box.

dangerous	convinced	brave	annoyed	astonished
relieved	generous	embarrassed	conscious	dissapointed

1. Mr. Davies was _____ that the books were missing.
2. I was _____ to hear that we had lost, thinking we had a good chance.
3. I was _____ that we were doing the right thing.
4. We were all _____ to see Mia at the party because she hardly hung out with friends.
5. It was _____ of him to pay for both of us.
6. It would be _____ for you to climb the mountain alone.
7. He is _____ to tell her he'd forgotten their anniversary. Again!
8. Polly was _____ to learn that her mother's illness was not a serious one.
9. It was _____ of Sarah to start her own business.
10. Teachers are increasingly _____ that the Internet is very important.

VIII. Rewrite these sentences, using *be + adjective + (of + noun/pronoun) + to-infinitive*.

1. Learning how to live in space is difficult.
It is difficult to learn how to live in space.
2. I learned that I had been promoted. I was delighted.

3. He shouldn't press the emergency button. It was stupid.

4. Having interests outside work is necessary.

5. John gave them £100. It was very generous.

6. They saw the driver was a six-year-old boy. They were astonished.

7. Thank you for visiting me in hospital. It was very kind.

8. Being in good health is very important for athletes.

9. We heard that your father's in hospital again. We're sorry.

10. Why did he make that remark? It was very rude.

IX. Choose the best answer A, B, C or D to complete the sentence.

1. It now seems certain _____.
a. to be an election in May b. of an election in May
c. that there will be an election in May d. for an election in May
2. Jacqui was pleasantly surprised _____.
a. to get a B for history b. if she gets a B for history
c. for getting a B for history d. getting a B for history
3. It can be difficult _____ to talk to teenagers nowadays.
a. with parents b. for parents c. to parents d. of parents
4. It's careless _____ to let your children play with fire.
a. to you b. with you c. of you d. for you
5. My dad was glad _____ his best friend again after 20 years.
a. meet b. meeting c. of meeting d. to meet
6. She was fully aware _____.
a. that he did not like her b. of he did not like her
c. for his dislike her d. him not to like her
7. _____ to think of doing it like that.
a. You were clever b. It's clever for you
c. It was clever of you d. It's clever that you
8. She was _____ the news of his death. He was so young!
a. shocked to hear b. pleased to hear c. relieved to hear d. annoyed to hear
9. Susan was sorry _____.
a. to lose her temper b. that losing her temper
c. for lose her temper d. that she'd lost her temper

10. It was necessary _____ this question as soon as possible.
a. of us to solve b. for us to solve c. for us solving d. of us solve

X. Fill in each blank with a suitable preposition.

1. It is wrong _____ him to get so angry over such a little thing.
2. I can't imagine how those students could study _____ such poor conditions!
3. The image of my family preparing for Tet has gone _____ my heart.
4. It was impossible _____ him to convince her that he was right.
5. She was standing _____ her husband and her eldest son.
6. I'm beginning to like Japanese food. I certainly prefer rice _____ potatoes.
7. _____ our visit to Japan, we saw a lot of interesting places.
8. What she wrote in the essay explained a lot _____ her thoughts of our country in the past.
9. Peasants' houses from this period were made _____ sticks, straw and mud.
10. Vietnam's first metro systems are _____ construction.

C. SPEAKING

I. Write questions for the underlined parts.

1. A: _____
B: Vietnam's transportation system has changed dramatically over the past ten years.
2. A: _____
B: Electric trams were used as the main means of public transport in Hanoi.
3. A: _____
B: Construction of the Thu Thiem tunnel was delayed because of difficulties in Site clearance.
4. A: _____
B: The first metro in Saigon will be put into operation in 2020.
5. A: _____
B: The railroad of Vietnam is over 3,000 km in total.
6. A: _____
B: The Hai Van Tunnel is situated on Highway 1.
7. A: _____
B: The first skytrains in Vietnam have four compartments.
8. A: _____
B: People in Vietnam had travelled by bicycle before the first motorbike was imported.

II. Put the dialogue into the correct order.

- ___ How does it change?
- ___ Amazing!
- ___ I see. It gives both parents and children more privacy, right?
- ___ 40 years.
- ___ Yes, of course.
- ___ The educational system may be among the most important changes.

— The learning facilities have been improved with loudspeakers and projectors, together with the labs and swimming pool.

— Wow! It's such a long time. I guess you have witnessed many changes.

— Can you tell me some of them?

— You mean youngsters move out of their family when they reach 18?

— Absolutely.

— How long have you been living in Saigon?

— Yes, it is. And you know, not only the school but the family structure has also been changed.

— No. Actually, children still live with their parents, but there are more and more nuclear families.

D. READING

I. Complete the passage with words from the box.

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In 2009, the City of Hanoi inaugurated a new bus interchange on the (1)_____ of the city densest and busiest neighbourhood. This new bus interchange demonstrates how small-scale but finely designed interventions can substantially (2)_____ transportation quality in Hanoi. The new bus interchange is efficiently handling a large volume of bus flow and has (3)_____ improved inter-modality in the area. The new facility can handle nearly 300 buses per hour at (4)_____ hour and over 3,500 passengers a day. It includes waiting platforms for users, stopping zones and dedicated bus right-of-way lanes, nearby taxi and park-and-drive (5)_____ for motorbikes and a quick connection to the Long Bien train station, providing inter-regional rail links. (6)_____, these improvements have significantly facilitated the redistribution of passenger (7)_____ into the central and historic quarters of the capital and to suburban areas and eased conflicts (8)_____ users.

II. Read the text carefully, then choose the correct answers.

In the early 17th century, most of the southern region of Vietnam was nearly uninhabited and in the position of Ho Chi Minh City, there was a small village formed with a few residents. However, thanks to its advantage in location, the town grew both economically and politically. By the 19th century, this had become a cultural hub of the South as well as an important trading center of the country.

You might not know that there was a time Saigon was referred to as the Pearl of the Far East. Sadly, having been through various occurrences and two disastrous wars has stunted the city's development. Only after the political instabilities had settled, Saigon recovered miraculously and maintained its leading position in terms of both the economics and culture. Officially named as Ho Chi Minh City, Saigon today has 22 districts in total and attracts hundreds of thousands of tourists annually.

1. What is the best title of the passage?
 - a. Saigon: Lost and Found
 - b. Saigon: Then and Now
 - c. Saigon: Now and Then
 - d. Saigon: Hub of the South East Vietnam
2. According to the passage, Saigon was _____ in the early 17th century.
 - a. a financial center
 - b. an uninhabited region
 - c. a small village
 - d. an important city