

## UNIT 5 FESTIVALS IN VIETNAM

### I. Choose the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from that of the others.

1. A. ceremony      B. festival      C. reunion      D. oriental

2. A. jam      B. cake      C. fashion      D. grand

3. A. festival      B. music      C. wrestle      D. swing

4. A. recommend      B. ceremony      C. processor      D. oriental

5. A. carnival      B. tradition      C. alive      D. librarian

6. A. instruments      B. others      C. basic      D. groups

7. A. rice      B. carnival      C. companion      D. invade

8. A. emperor      B. commemorate      C. incense      D. procession

9. A. showed      B. learned      C. lived      D. discriminated

10. A. command      B. carnival      C. archway      D. anniversary

### II. Fill in each blank with one word from the box below. (There are more words than blanks)

impressive    regretful    folk  
carnival    defeat    display

1. Quan Ho is a kind of Vietnamese .....music.
2. People waited for hours to see the firework.....
3. It's one of the most .....performances I've watched. Amazing!
4. The ritual is held to commemorate the .....of the young but brave emperor.

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5. I wish one day, I could join the .....in Rio, Brazil. I want to dress in colourful clothes and dance.

B.

ritual anniversary ancestors

clasp specialities scenery

1. My mother and my uncle often .....hands and wish good luck when they meet on the first day of the year.
2. In India, it takes several days to complete the wedding .....
3. They held celebrations to mark the .....of Mozart's death.
4. Tet is an occasion for Vietnamese people to worship their.....
5. There is a ceremony of offering incense and .....such as Chung cakes, Day cakes and five- fruit trays to the Kings.

**III. Choose the correct answer to complete each sentence.**

1. ....they were very poor, they made many tasty foods on Tet.  
A. Otherwise      B. As      C. Even though      D. If
2. Children like Tet .....they can wear new clothes and receive lucky money.  
A. because      B. so      C. therefore      D. while
3. A new filtration system has been installed to treat the waste, .....the lake is no longer polluted.  
A. so      B. however      C. because      D. as
4. Festival are very costly, .....they are cultural significant.  
A. or      B. and      C. so      D. but
5. I had to go to school that day, .....I couldn't join the ritual.  
A. or      B. but      C. and      D. therefore
6. Festivals can be dangerous; ....., they may affect the environment.  
A. and      B. moreover      C. nevertheless      D. but

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7. In Vietnam, .....you have a generous and kind- hearted first person to enter the house, you will have a successful year ahead.

A. unless      B. if      C. even though      D. while

8. ....the Rock festival was loud and wild, many people enjoyed it.

A. But      B. When      C. Although      D. However

9. The Mid-Autumn festival is the time for kids to sing, dance, and enjoy moon cakes; ..... , every child likes it very much.

A. however      B. therefore      C. moreover      D. nevertheless

10. My brother loves playing football, .....he doesn't like playing volleyball.

A. and      B. but      C. so      D. therefore

11. Saint Giong was unable to talk, smile, or walk .. .....he was three years old.

A. if      B. because      C. while      D. even though

12. ..... spring comes, many Vietnamese villages prepare for a new season.

A. while      B. when      C. Nevertheless      D. however

13. .....He has been living 15km away from Nha Trang, He has never been to the Nha Trang Carnival.

A. Because      B. if      C. although      D. However

14. The Nha Trang Sea Festival is famous for the impressive street carnival; ..... , it has

attracted thousands of foreign visitors.

A. otherwise      B. therefore      C. moreover      C. while

15. We do not have carnivals in Viet Nam; .... , we have many traditional festival.

A. nevertheless      B. while      C. although      D. because

**III. Reading**

**Shortcoming of Festivals.**

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Although there are many interesting things people can get from the festival, there are also some disadvantages.

The first thing is that it is normally very costly to celebrate a festival. Due to the fact that most festival aim to preserve and develop the traditional cultural heritages, the government is willing to spend a lot of money on this occasion. Besides, during the festival, most people do not work and only spend money on preparing food and buying expensive gifts for their relatives and friends. That's also a reason why it is said that a festival is often costly.

The second disadvantages is unsafe during a festival. It is estimated that there are hundred accidents during a festival, particularly road accidents. There are many dangerous festivals like cow- racing, elephant racing which may be very dangerous for people, especially for children. Moreover, in some festival, when rushing to join the events, people may also cause other people to get hurt.

The last disadvantage is festivals may affect the environment seriously. People tend to throw away waste cans or bottles after a festival. Furthermore, trees along the roadsides may be damaged by the participants. Noise pollution is result from the noise of the performances and the noise from the crowds.

### **A. Answer the following questions.**

1. How many disadvantages are there in the above passage?
2. What is the purpose of most festival?
3. Do people often work during a festival?
4. Are there any accidents during a festival?
5. Is cow- racing considered to be safe?

### **B. Read the text again and tick True (T) or False (F).**

1. It is cheap to hold a festival.
2. The government is willing to take a lot of money to celebrate a festival.

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3. During a festival, people often prepare food and buy expensive gifts for strange people.
4. People may be hurt when they participate in a festival.
5. Environment is seriously affected by a festival.
6. A festival may cause noise pollution.