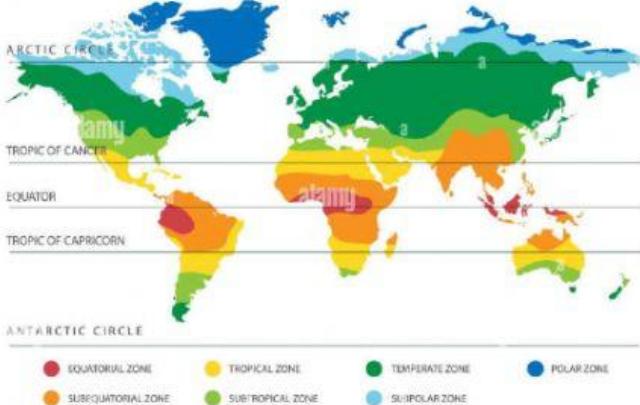


ENGLISH 9 - UNIT 5: WONDERS OF VIETNAM - LESSON 3

Reading 1:

A. Vocabulary

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| | |  <p><i>Neil Armstrong was the first man to set foot on the moon.</i></p> |
| terrain (n) | /tə'rain/ | difficult/rough/mountainous terrain |
| | /,ekwə'tɔ:riəl/ |  |
| | /kwi'zi:n/ | <p>a style of cooking</p>  <p><i>London offers a wide variety of foreign cuisines.</i></p> |

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| intrigue (v) | /in'tri:g/ |  |
| You've really intrigued me—tell me more! | | |

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

After only 50 minutes flying from Ho Chi Minh City, you will **set foot on** the tropical paradise of Vietnam and the world: Phu Quoc Island.

The island has a roughly triangular shape with a north-south length of 50km and a west-east width of 25km. A great part of the **terrain** is filled with beautiful sandy beaches, but there is a mountainous region with 99 peaks, among which the Peak of Chua Mountain is the tallest one at 603 meters. Due to Phu Quoc's location in the Gulf of Thailand, its climate is **sub-equatorial** with temperate weather all year round, making trips to Phu Quoc possible any time in the year. However, the best time to travel to this island is during the dry season, from November until March, when the sky is blue and clear and the rains are away.

Phu Quoc is most famous for its **cuisines** and a natural wonderful coastline. The most famous food of Phu Quoc is fish sauce, which has become quite popular all over Vietnam and the world. Besides, another thing worth trying there is the spicy yet interesting black pepper. However, the factor that will definitely **intrigue** you to visit Phu Quoc is its untouched coastline featuring several heavenly beaches. They have yet to be explored to their full ability, but this fact might be actually positive as it gives the shores a romantic beauty that you can find in nowhere else in the world.

1. What is Phu Quoc Island regarded as?
 - a. Pearl of the Orient
 - b. Tropical Paradise
 - c. City of Eternal Spring
 - d. Lanterns Paradise
2. According to the passage, Phu Quoc Island _____.
 - a. has both beaches and mountains
 - b. doesn't have much tourist attraction
 - c. has the tallest mountain in Vietnam
 - d. doesn't have rains all the year-round
3. Tourists can visit Phu Quoc anytime in the year thanks to _____.
 - a. its location by the sea
 - b. its friendly local people
 - c. its temperate climate
 - d. its dry season
4. What are Phu Quoc's specialities?

- a. red pepper and fish sauce
- b. black pepper and dried fish
- c. red pepper and soya sauce
- d. spicy black pepper and fish sauce

5. The word “intrigue” has the closest meaning to _____.

- a. attract
- b. promote
- c. inspire
- d. pay attention to

6. Which of the following statements is NOT true?

- a. Phu Quoc Island is located in the Gulf of Thailand.
- b. The beaches in Phu Quoc Island have been explored to their full potentials.
- c. Phu Quoc's dry season begins from November and lasts through March.
- d. The island is roughly triangular in shape.

C. Vocabulary game:

Reading 2:

A. New words:

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| | /'tropɪkl/ | coming from, found in or typical of the tropics   <i>tropical climate, tropical fruits</i> |
| | /sɪstəm/ |  |
| be home to | | <i>Vietnam is home to a lot of beautiful flowers such as lotus and apricot blossom.</i>   |
| | | <i>At the time she was under the influence of her father. She had to do whatever her father told her to.</i> |
| | /kɒn.tri'bju:ʃən/ | <i>Marie Curie is famous for her contribution to science.</i> |

B. Choose the correct answers to complete the passage.

Ha Long Bay is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and popular travel (1) _____ in Quang Ninh Province, Vietnam. The bay features thousands of limestone karsts and isles in (2) _____ shapes and sizes. Ha Long Bay is a center of a larger zone which (3) _____ Bai Tu Long Bay to the northeast, and Cat Ba Island to the southwest.

Ha Long Bay has an area of around 1,553km², including 1,960 - 2,000 islets, most of (4) _____ are limestone. The core of the bay has an area of 334km² with a high density of 775 islets. The limestone in this bay has gone through 500 million years of (5) _____ in different conditions and environments. The evolution of the karst in this bay has taken 20 million years (6) _____ the impact of the tropical wet climate. The geo-diversity of the environment in the area has created (7) _____, including a tropical evergreen biosystem, oceanic and sea shore biosystem. Ha Long Bay is (8) _____ to 14 endemic floral species and 60 endemic faunal species.

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| 1. a. situation | b. destination | c. direction | d. ground |
| 2. a. various | b. complex | c. exciting | d. original |
| 3. a. offers | b. includes | c. consists | d. covers |
| 4. a. them | b. those | c. which | d. whom |
| 5. a. formation | b. foundation | c. establishment | d. contribution |
| 6. a. in | b. of | c. for | d. under |
| 7. a. biochemical | b. biodiversity | c. bioconversion | d. biodefense |
| 8. a. way | b. place | c. home | d. house |

C. Vocabulary: Fill in the blank with the correct preposition.

1. Marie Curie is famous for her contribution _____ science.
2. Vietnam is home _____ a lot of beautiful flowers such as lotus and apricot blossom.
3. The crowd consisted mostly _____ college kids and office workers.
4. He did the crime _____ the influence of drugs.
5. The core of the bay has an area _____ 334km² with a high density of 775 islets.
6. I would never set foot _____ that dangerous place again.
7. My teacher suggested an exam _____ me which I could take at the end of the year.
8. A home for the elderly will be built _____ the site of the old hospital.
9. Notre-Dame Cathedral and Ben Thanh Market are _____ the center of Ho Chi Minh City.
10. Years of fighting have left the area _____ ruins.

3. 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)

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