

ASEAN and Viet Nam

WRITING

A proposal for a welcome event

Ghép tiêu đề thích hợp vào các đoạn. CHÉP vào tập chuẩn bị và gạch dưới bằng viết đỏ các từ/cụm từ quan trọng mà em cho là đã giúp em xác định tiêu đề đúng.

- 1 Read the following proposal and match the headings (1–4) with the paragraphs (A–D).



Title: VIETNAMESE TRADITIONAL GAMES FESTIVAL

To: The Head teacher of Ha Noi High School

Date: 10 January

Prepared by: Youth Union

1. Details about the event
2. Conclusion
3. Introduction
4. Goals and benefits

A. _____

Next month, a group of students from ASEAN countries will visit our school. We put out a call for ideas for activities to welcome our guests. One of the best ideas is holding a Vietnamese Traditional Games Festival.

B. _____

The event will take place in the school stadium. It will start at 9 a.m. and will last for three hours. The event will be hosted by grade 11 students, who will make all the arrangements for the activities. These will include Vietnamese traditional games such as bamboo dancing, tug of war, and stilt walking.

C. _____

The event will help our guests learn about our culture by watching and playing Vietnamese traditional games. Taking part in fun games is also the best way to break the ice, make friends and create bonds with people.

D. _____

We really hope you will consider this proposal as we think that it will be beneficial to both local students and guests.

Dịch và chép phần hướng dẫn bên dưới vào tập chuẩn bị. **Lưu ý: Chỉ dịch phần cần dịch.**

Tips

A proposal gives details about an idea or a project, and convinces the readers to support it by giving reasons as to why it is a good one. It consists of:

- **Title:** to introduce the name of the idea/project
- **Recipient (To: _____):** to give the names of the people you want to support/approve the proposal
- **Date:** to give the date of writing the proposal
- **Writer (Prepared by: _____):** to give the name of the person/group who puts forward the proposal
- **Introduction:** to briefly introduce the idea/project
- **Details about the idea/project:** to state the time, location, activities, etc.
- **Goals and benefits:** to state the goals and give reasons why the idea/project is a good one
- **Conclusion:** to urge the recipient to consider and approve the proposal



BONUS: What is **YOUR** proposal for such a welcome event when a group of ASEAN students visit **OUR** school?

Nghe và hoàn thành đoạn hội thoại. Chép vào tập. Gạch dưới câu/cụm từ thể hiện lời khen bằng viết xanh và câu/cụm từ thể hiện chấp nhận/từ chối lời khen bằng viết đỏ.

Everyday English

Giving and responding to compliments

1  Listen and complete the conversation with the expressions in the box. Then practise it in pairs.

A. I'm glad you like it

B. I appreciate the compliment

C. You gave the best presentation

D. It's excellent

Linda: I was at the workshop at the ASEAN Youth Volunteer Conference. (1)_____!

Hoa: (2)_____, Linda. I worked really hard to prepare for it.

Linda: It was also well organised. And I noticed that your English has improved a lot. (3)_____!

Hoa: Thank you. (4)_____.



Chép vào tập. Dùng mực xanh và mực đỏ như yêu cầu của bài bên trên.

Useful expressions	
Giving compliments	Responding to compliments
Nice work! Well done!	Thanks for saying that.
You did a really good job!	I appreciate that.
This is excellent. You are so good with ...!	Thank you. That means a lot to me.
You are a great presenter!	I'm grateful for the kind words.
I love your ...!	I'm (so) pleased to hear that.



Culture

- 1 Read the text and complete the table below.

Chép đoạn văn bên dưới vào tập và hoàn thành bảng thông tin đi kèm.

New Year Festivals in ASEAN

In ASEAN, besides welcoming the New Year on January 1, there are several cultures that celebrate New Year's Day later in the year. For example, Viet Nam, Singapore, Indonesia and parts of Malaysia follow the lunar calendar so their New Year festivities often take place in January or February. Lunar New Year is a time for them to honour ancestors, get together with family and friends, have a big family meal, and wish one another prosperity for the year to come. The streets and houses are decorated, and fireworks are lit to scare away bad luck. There are also parades, street parties, and art performances in the new year celebrations.

People in Laos, Cambodia, Thailand, and Myanmar celebrate the arrival of the New Year according to the Buddhist calendar. Their New Year's celebrations are in April. People in these countries follow traditions such as offering rice to Buddhist monks to show their respect and receiving wishes for good luck and health from them. They decorate their homes, cook traditional dishes, and splash each other with water. There are also art performances, folk games, and dancing.

In these cultures, it is believed that water will wash away bad luck and ill health from the old year and allow people to start the new year fresh.



	Lunar New Year	Buddhist calendar
Countries	(1) _____	Laos, Cambodia, Thailand & Myanmar
Time	January or February	(2) _____
Activities	(3) _____	(4) _____