TA9. U6. A Vietnamese lifestyle: then and now – Reading 3

Text 1: Vietnamese Families: Then and Now

Vietnamese families have transitioned significantly over the decades. In the past, most people lived in (1) _____ families, where several generations shared the same (2) _____. This setup fostered a (3) _____ lifestyle, with elders being highly respected and children expected to follow their guidance.

Today, nuclear families are more common, with young couples often living independently. This shift has created a (4) _____ between generations, as modern families value (5) _____ and personal freedom more than before.

Education also reflects this change. Traditional learning involved students having to (6) _____ information from textbooks, while today's schools encourage students to (7) _____ and actively participate in lessons. Modern education provides more (8) _____ for students to (9) _____ their ambitions.

However, some traditions persist. For example, Vietnamese (10) _____ are still popular for special occasions, reflecting the importance of cultural heritage.

1. A. nuclear B. extended C. independent D. professional
2. A. gap B. privacy C. household D. generation
3. A. democratic B. western C. family-oriented D. professional
4. A. popularity B. gap C. household D. opportunity
5. A. privacy B. independence C. dependent D. professional
6. A. dye B. take notes C. memorise D. replace
7. A. play outdoors B. ride a buffalo C. leave school D. take notes
8. A. opportunities B. gaps C. promises D. lifestyles
9. A. replace B. pursue C. promise D. support
10. A. traditional costumes B. oil lamps C. household items D. farming tools

Text 2: Daily Life: Past and Present

The daily lifestyle of Vietnamese people has shifted from simplicity to modern convenience. In the past, people relied on (1) _____ farming tools and used (2) _____ to light their homes. Today, these have been (3) _____ by hi-tech appliances and advanced designs. Traditional professions, such as artisans and (4) _____, once played a vital role in creating clothes by (5) _____ natural materials. These skills have mostly disappeared due to (6) _____ manufacturing processes.

Family dynamics have also changed. Where (7) _____ families once emphasized close-knit relationships, nuclear families now prioritize (8) _____ and personal independence. This reflects a more (9) _____ approach to living, influenced by (10) _____ trends.

1. A. natural B. hi-tech C. professional D. western
2. A. hi-tech appliances B. extended families C. oil lamps D. promises
3. A. memorised B. replaced C. dependent D. pursued
4. A. monks B. teachers C. performers D. students
5. A. pursuing B. designing C. dyeing D. replacing

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6. A. democratic	B. industrial	C. professional	D. western
7. A. dependent	B. privacy	C. democratic	D. extended
8. A. independence	B. memorisation	C. dependent	D. gap
9. A. western	B. democratic	C. independent	D. extended
10. A. nuclear	B. democratic	C. traditional	D. western

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