



Fill in the gaps

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In 1965
Vietnam seemed like just another foreign war
But it wasn't
It was different in many ways
As so were those who did the fighting
In World War two
The average age of the combat soldier was twenty six
In Vietnam, he was nineteen
I-I-I-In Vietnam, he was nineteen
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Ni-ni-ni-ni-nineteen
The heaviest (1)_____ of the past two weeks
Continued today twenty (2)_____ (3)_____
(4)_____ of Saigon
I really wasn't sure what was (5)_____ on
Ni-ni-ni-ni-nineteen, nineteen, nineteen
Ni-nineteen, nineteen
In Vietnam
The (6)_____ soldier (7)_____
served
A (8)_____ (9)_____ tour of duty
But was exposed to hostile fire (10)_____ everyday
Ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-nineteen (nineteen)
Ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-nineteen (nineteen)
Ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-nineteen (nineteen)
Ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-nineteen (nineteen)
In Saigon, a US military spokesman (11)_____ today
More than seven hundred twenty troops
Were (12)_____ (13)_____ week
In that sensitive border area
In all of South Vietnam
The (14)_____ (15)_____ a total of
Two (16)_____ six hundred and
(17)_____ nine soldiers
All those who (18)_____ the war

They won't forget (19)_____ they've seen
Destruction
Of men in (20)_____ prime
Whose average age was nineteen
De-de-de-des-des-destruction
De-de-de-des-des-destruction
According to a Veteran's Administration study
Half of the Vietnam combat veterans suffered
From what psychiatrists call
Post traumatic stress disorder
Many (21)_____ complain of alienation, rage, or guilt
Some succumb to suicidal thoughts
Eight to ten years after coming home
Almost eight hundred thousand men
Are still (22)_____ the Vietnam War
None of them received a hero's welcome
Nineteen
Saigon, Saigon, Sa-Sa-Sa-Saigon
Saigon, Sa-Sa-Sa-Sa-Sa-Sa-Sa-Sa-Saigon
Nineteen (ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-nineteen)
Ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-nineteen
Nineteen (ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-nineteen)
Ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-nineteen
Vietnam (Sa-Sa-Sa-Saigon)
Vietnam (Sa-Sa-Sa-Saigon)
Vietnam (Sa-Sa-Sa-Saigon)
Vietnam (Sa-Sa-Sa-Saigon)
Purple heart (Saigon)
Purple heart (Sa-Sa-Saigon)
I really wasn't (23)_____ what was (24)_____ on
I really wasn't sure what was going on



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Answer

1. fighting
2. five
3. miles
4. northwest
5. going
6. combat
7. typically
8. twelve
9. month
10. almost
11. said
12. killed
13. last
14. enemy
15. lost
16. thousand
17. eighty
18. remember
19. what
20. their
21. vets
22. fighting
23. sure
24. going