



Fill in the gaps

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In 1965
 Vietnam seemed like (1)_____ another
 (2)_____ 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 (3)_____ of the past two weeks
 Continued (4)_____ twenty five miles northwest of
 Saigon
 I really wasn't sure what was going on
 Ni-ni-ni-ni-nineteen, nineteen, nineteen
 Ni-nineteen, nineteen
 In Vietnam
 The combat (5)_____ typically served
 A twelve month (6)_____ of duty
 But was exposed to hostile (7)_____ almost 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 (8)_____ spokesman said today
 More than (9)_____ hundred twenty troops
 Were killed last week
 In that sensitive (10)_____ area
 In all of (11)_____ Vietnam
 The (12)_____ lost a total of
 Two thousand six hundred and eighty nine soldiers
 All those who (13)_____ the war

They won't forget (14)_____ they've seen
 Destruction
 Of men in (15)_____ 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 (16)_____ suffered
 From (17)_____ psychiatrists call
 Post traumatic stress disorder
 Many vets complain of alienation, rage, or guilt
 Some (18)_____ to (19)_____ thoughts
 Eight to ten years after coming home
 Almost (20)_____ (21)_____ thousand men
 Are still fighting the Vietnam War
 None of them (22)_____ 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 (23)_____ (Saigon)
 Purple heart (Sa-Sa-Saigon)
 I really wasn't sure what was (24)_____ on
 I (25)_____ wasn't (26)_____ (27)_____ was going on



Answer

1. just
2. foreign
3. fighting
4. today
5. soldier
6. tour
7. fire
8. military
9. seven
10. border
11. South
12. enemy
13. remember
14. what
15. their
16. veterans
17. what
18. succumb
19. suicidal
20. eight
21. hundred
22. received
23. heart
24. going
25. really
26. sure
27. what

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