



Fill in the gaps

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In 1965
Vietnam (1) like just another foreign war
But it wasn't
It was different in many ways
As so were (2) 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 today twenty five miles northwest of Saigon
I (4) wasn't (5) what was
(6) on
Ni-ni-ni-ni-nineteen, nineteen, nineteen
Ni-nineteen, nineteen
In Vietnam
The combat soldier typically served
A twelve month tour of duty
But was exposed to (7) fire almost
everyday
Ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-nineteen (nineteen)
Ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-nineteen (nineteen)
Ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-nineteen (nineteen)
Ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-nineteen (nineteen)
In Saigon, a US (8) spokesman
(9) today
More than seven hundred (10) troops
Were killed last week
In (11) (12) border area
In all of South Vietnam
The enemy (13) a total of
Two thousand six hundred and (14) nine
soldiers
All those who (15) the war

They won't (16) (17) they've seen
Destruction
Of men in (18) 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 (19) suffered
From (20) (21)
call
Post traumatic stress disorder
Many vets complain of alienation, rage, or guilt
Some succumb to suicidal thoughts
Eight to ten years (22) (23)
home
Almost eight hundred thousand men
Are still fighting the Vietnam War
None of them (24) 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-nineteen)
Ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-nineteen
Nineteen (ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-nineteen)
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 (25) (Saigon)
Purple heart (Sa-Sa-Saigon)
I really wasn't (26) what was going on
I (27) wasn't (28) what was going
on



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### Answer

1. seemed
2. those
3. fighting
4. really
5. sure
6. going
7. hostile
8. military
9. said
10. twenty
11. that
12. sensitive
13. lost
14. eighty
15. remember
16. forget
17. what
18. their
19. veterans
20. what
21. psychiatrists
22. after
23. coming
24. received
25. heart
26. sure
27. really
28. sure