



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 (1) 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 fighting of the past two weeks
Continued (2) twenty five miles northwest of Saigon
I really wasn't sure what was (3) 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 (4) 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 military spokesman (5) today
More (6) seven (7) twenty troops
Were (8) last week
In that (9) (10) area
In all of (11) Vietnam
The (12) lost a total of
Two thousand six hundred and eighty nine soldiers
All those who remember the war

They won't forget what they've seen
Destruction
Of men in (13) prime
Whose average age was nineteen
De-de-de-des-des-destruction
De-de-de-des-des-destruction
According to a Veteran's
(14) study
Half of the (15) combat
(16) suffered
From what (17) call
Post traumatic stress disorder
Many vets complain of alienation, rage, or guilt
Some succumb to suicidal thoughts
Eight to ten (18) after (19) home
Almost (20) (21) 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-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 heart (Saigon)
Purple heart (Sa-Sa-Saigon)
I (23) wasn't (24) what was going on
I (25) wasn't sure what was going on



Fill in the gaps

Answer

1. combat
2. today
3. going
4. hostile
5. said
6. than
7. hundred
8. killed
9. sensitive
10. border
11. South
12. enemy
13. their
14. Administration
15. Vietnam
16. veterans
17. psychiatrists
18. years
19. coming
20. eight
21. hundred
22. fighting
23. really
24. sure
25. really