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Fill in the gaps

In 1965
 Vietnam seemed (1)_____ just another foreign war
 But it wasn't
 It was different in many ways
 As so (2)_____ (3)_____ who did the fighting
 In (4)_____ 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 (5)_____ of the past two weeks
 Continued today 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 (6)_____ 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 military spokesman said today
 More (8)_____ seven hundred (9)_____ troops
 Were killed last week
 In (10)_____ (11)_____
 (12)_____ area
 In all of South Vietnam
 The enemy lost a total of
 Two thousand six hundred and eighty nine soldiers
 All (13)_____ who (14)_____ the war

They won't forget what they've seen
 Destruction
 Of men in their prime
 Whose average age was nineteen
 De-de-de-des-des-destruction
 De-de-de-des-des-destruction
 According to a Veteran's
 (15)_____ study
 Half of the Vietnam combat veterans suffered
 From (16)_____ psychiatrists call
 Post (17)_____ stress disorder
 Many vets (18)_____ of alienation, rage, or
 guilt
 Some succumb to suicidal thoughts
 Eight to ten years after coming home
 Almost eight (19)_____ (20)_____
 men
 Are still fighting the Vietnam War
 None of them (21)_____ 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 (22)_____ (Saigon)
 Purple heart (Sa-Sa-Saigon)
 I (23)_____ wasn't sure what was (24)_____
 on
 I really wasn't sure what was going on



Answer

1. like
2. were
3. those
4. World
5. fighting
6. soldier
7. hostile
8. than
9. twenty
10. that
11. sensitive
12. border
13. those
14. remember
15. Administration
16. what
17. traumatic
18. complain
19. hundred
20. thousand
21. received
22. heart
23. really
24. going

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