



## Fill in the gaps

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In 1965  
Vietnam seemed (1)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 fighting of the past two weeks  
Continued today twenty (2)\_\_\_\_\_ miles  
(3)\_\_\_\_\_ of Saigon  
I (4)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 twelve month (8)\_\_\_\_\_ of duty  
But was exposed to hostile (9)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (10)\_\_\_\_\_ today  
More than seven hundred twenty troops  
Were killed last week  
In that sensitive (11)\_\_\_\_\_ area  
In all of (12)\_\_\_\_\_ Vietnam  
The (13)\_\_\_\_\_ (14)\_\_\_\_\_ a total of  
Two thousand six (15)\_\_\_\_\_ and eighty nine  
soldiers  
All (16)\_\_\_\_\_ who remember 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 Administration study  
Half of the Vietnam (17)\_\_\_\_\_ veterans suffered  
From what psychiatrists call  
Post traumatic stress disorder  
Many vets complain of alienation, rage, or guilt  
Some succumb to suicidal thoughts  
Eight to ten years after coming home  
Almost eight (18)\_\_\_\_\_ thousand men  
Are still (19)\_\_\_\_\_ the Vietnam War  
None of them (20)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 really wasn't sure (21)\_\_\_\_\_ was going on  
I really wasn't (22)\_\_\_\_\_ (23)\_\_\_\_\_ was going on



## Fill in the gaps

Answer

1. like
2. five
3. northwest
4. really
5. going
6. combat
7. typically
8. tour
9. fire
10. said
11. border
12. South
13. enemy
14. lost
15. hundred
16. those
17. combat
18. hundred
19. fighting
20. received
21. what
22. sure
23. what