



## 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 (1)\_\_\_\_\_ who did the fighting  
In (2)\_\_\_\_\_ War two  
The average age of the (3)\_\_\_\_\_  
(4)\_\_\_\_\_ was twenty six  
In Vietnam, he was nineteen  
I-I-I-In Vietnam, he was nineteen  
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I-I-I-In Vietnam, he was nineteen  
Ni-ni-ni-ni-nineteen  
The (5)\_\_\_\_\_ fighting of the past two weeks  
Continued today twenty five miles (6)\_\_\_\_\_  
of Saigon  
I (7)\_\_\_\_\_ wasn't sure what was going on  
Ni-ni-ni-ni-nineteen, nineteen, nineteen  
Ni-nineteen, nineteen  
In Vietnam  
The combat (8)\_\_\_\_\_ typically served  
A twelve month tour of duty  
But was (9)\_\_\_\_\_ to hostile (10)\_\_\_\_\_  
(11)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (12)\_\_\_\_\_ spokesman  
(13)\_\_\_\_\_ today  
More than (14)\_\_\_\_\_ hundred twenty troops  
Were killed last week  
In (15)\_\_\_\_\_ (16)\_\_\_\_\_ border area  
In all of South Vietnam  
The enemy lost a total of  
Two thousand six (17)\_\_\_\_\_ and  
(18)\_\_\_\_\_ nine soldiers  
All those who (19)\_\_\_\_\_ the war

They won't (20)\_\_\_\_\_ what they've seen  
Destruction  
Of men in (21)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 veterans suffered  
From what psychiatrists call  
Post traumatic stress disorder  
Many (22)\_\_\_\_\_ complain of alienation, rage, or guilt  
Some succumb to suicidal thoughts  
Eight to ten years after coming home  
Almost eight hundred (23)\_\_\_\_\_ men  
Are still (24)\_\_\_\_\_ the (25)\_\_\_\_\_  
War  
None of (26)\_\_\_\_\_ received a hero's welcome  
Nineteen  
Saigon, Saigon, Sa-Sa-Sa-Saigon  
Saigon, 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 (27)\_\_\_\_\_ (Sa-Sa-Saigon)  
I really wasn't sure what was (28)\_\_\_\_\_ on  
I really wasn't sure what was going on



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### Answer

1. those
2. World
3. combat
4. soldier
5. heaviest
6. northwest
7. really
8. soldier
9. exposed
10. fire
11. almost
12. military
13. said
14. seven
15. that
16. sensitive
17. hundred
18. eighty
19. remember
20. forget
21. their
22. vets
23. thousand
24. fighting
25. Vietnam
26. them
27. heart
28. going