



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 (1)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (2)\_\_\_\_\_ of the past two weeks
Continued today twenty (3)\_\_\_\_\_ miles northwest of
Saigon
I (4)\_\_\_\_\_ wasn't (5)\_\_\_\_\_ what was going on
Ni-ni-ni-ni-nineteen, nineteen, nineteen
Ni-nineteen, nineteen
In Vietnam
The combat (6)\_\_\_\_\_ (7)\_\_\_\_\_
served
A twelve month tour of duty
But was (8)\_\_\_\_\_ to hostile fire almost everyday
Ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-nineteen (nineteen)
Ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-nineteen (nineteen)
Ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-nineteen (nineteen)
Ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-nineteen (nineteen)
In Saigon, a US military (9)\_\_\_\_\_ said today
More than (10)\_\_\_\_\_ hundred (11)\_\_\_\_\_
troops
Were killed last week
In that sensitive border area
In all of South Vietnam
The enemy 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 their prime
Whose average age was nineteen
De-de-de-des-des-destruction
De-de-de-des-des-destruction
According to a Veteran's
(12)\_\_\_\_\_ study
Half of the Vietnam (13)\_\_\_\_\_ veterans suffered
From what psychiatrists call
Post (14)\_\_\_\_\_ stress disorder
Many vets complain of alienation, rage, or guilt
Some succumb to (15)\_\_\_\_\_ thoughts
Eight to ten years after coming home
Almost eight hundred (16)\_\_\_\_\_ men
Are (17)\_\_\_\_\_ fighting the (18)\_\_\_\_\_ 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-ni-nineteen)
Ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-nineteen
Nineteen (ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-ni-nineteen)
Ni-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 (19)\_\_\_\_\_ (Sa-Sa-Saigon)
I really wasn't (20)\_\_\_\_\_ what was (21)\_\_\_\_\_ on
I really wasn't (22)\_\_\_\_\_ what was (23)\_\_\_\_\_ on



**Fill in the gaps**

**Answer**

1. were
2. fighting
3. five
4. really
5. sure
6. soldier
7. typically
8. exposed
9. spokesman
10. seven
11. twenty
12. Administration
13. combat
14. traumatic
15. suicidal
16. thousand
17. still
18. Vietnam
19. heart
20. sure
21. going
22. sure
23. going