

# UNIT 5. WONDERS OF VIETNAM

## LANGUAGE FOCUS

### Topic:

Wonders of Viet Nam

### Phonetics:

Stress on short words (a, of, or) in sentences

### Grammar:

- Review: Passive voice
- suggest+ verb-ing/ suggest (that) + subject + should

### Vocabulary:

- Wonders of Viet Nam
- Nouns and adjectives

### Skills:

- Reading and talking about man-made wonders of Viet Nam, and how to protect and preserve them
- Listening to and writing about a wonder of Viet Nam

## PRACTICE

### I. Choose a word in each line that has different stress pattern.

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|-------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| 1. A. Heritage    | B. Government  | C. Recognise   | D. Position   |
| 2. A. Measure     | B. Suggest     | C. Impress     | D. Connect    |
| 3. A. Picturesque | B. Souvenir    | C. Paradise    | D. Recommend  |
| 4. A. Structure   | B. Rickshaw    | C. Landscape   | D. Preserve   |
| 5. A. Security    | B. Institution | C. Spectacular | D. Administer |

### II. Give the correct form of the word in CAPITALS to complete each of the following sentences.

1. There are many sculptures along the \_\_\_\_\_ to the main temple.(ENTER)
2. Protecting natural wonders brings both social and \_\_\_\_\_ benefits.(FINANCE)
3. Phong Nha – Ke Bang can be compared to a precious \_\_\_\_\_ museum.(GEOLOGY)
4. The show features six \_\_\_\_\_ from different parts of the country.(CONTEST)

5. Chua Keo (in Thai Binh province) is a \_\_\_\_\_ pagoda which was built about 400 years ago.(WOOD)
6. Many more tourists have visited Ha Long Bay since UNESCO's \_\_\_\_\_ of this beautiful spot.(RECOGNISE)
7. Bai Dinh Pagoda is a \_\_\_\_\_ site which is located in Ninh Binh province.(RELIGION)
8. May I have a \_\_\_\_\_ about the trip to Cue Phuong National Park next week?(SUGGEST)
9. My most \_\_\_\_\_ experience was my trip to Hoi An in the summer of 2015.(FORGET)
10. We got a lot of \_\_\_\_\_ from our holiday in Da Nang last year.(ENJOY)

**III. Rewrite the following sentences using the impersonal passive.**

1. People say that Ha Long Bay consists of about two thousand islands.  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. They thought that the temple had been destroyed by a fire.  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. The police have reported there is an accident on the road to Sa Pa.  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. We are expecting the park will be recognised as a World Heritage Site by UNESCO next year.  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. Many people will claim the rule of the game is too complicated.  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. We know that Trang An Scenic Landscape Complex was selected for filming "Kong: Skull Island".  
\_\_\_\_\_
7. Everyone believes Son Doong Cave is one of the largest caves in the world.  
\_\_\_\_\_
8. They estimated one million foreign tourists visited Viet Nam in December 2015.  
\_\_\_\_\_
9. We have understood that protecting natural wonders has many benefits.  
\_\_\_\_\_
10. People hope that this complex of monuments will be open to the public soon.  
\_\_\_\_\_

**IV. Read the following passage and choose the best option for each numbered blank.**

**Da Lat – Dream City**

Da Lat lies on Lam Vien plateau, in the Central Highland province of Lam Dong, 300 kilometres north of Ho Chi Minh City. Da Lat is a well-known city (1) \_\_\_\_\_ all the people who have been there once. Da Lat is known (2) \_\_\_\_\_ a city of pine trees, waterfalls and flowers. Da Lat is described as a forest of flowers with (3) \_\_\_\_\_ colours and various species. Flowers can be found (4) \_\_\_\_\_ and in any season. We can see flowers in Da Lat in the parks, (5) \_\_\_\_\_ of the houses, in the gardens etc. Da Lat has the widest range of orchid varieties in the country. Da Lat has (6) \_\_\_\_\_ rivers and canals but it has many picturesque waterfalls. It takes tourists several days (7) \_\_\_\_\_ all the waterfalls in the area. The famous Cam Ly Falls is only 3 kilometres (8) \_\_\_\_\_ the town centre. The Prenn Falls is 10 kilometres in the south of Da Lat. The water (9) \_\_\_\_\_ down like a white shade. Da Lat people are very (10) \_\_\_\_\_ of it. They always boast to tourists about it in the first place. Around the Prenn Falls is the valley of various flowers and pine hills.

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|-----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| 1. A. Exciting  | B. attracting | C. suggesting | D. believing  |
| 2. A. As        | B. like       | C. same       | D. similar    |
| 3. A. Different | B. general    | C. official   | D. astounding |
| 4. A. Somewhere | B. anywhere   | C. nowhere    | D. everywhere |
| 5. A. Behind    | B. next to    | C. opposite   | D. in front   |
| 6. A. Few       | B. little     | C. much       | D. lots       |
| 7. A. Visit     | B. visiting   | C. to visit   | D. visited    |
| 8. A. In        | B. at         | C. to         | D. from       |
| 9. A. Falls     | B. goes       | C. pours      | D. Walks      |
| 10. A. Pride    | B. priding    | C. prided     | D. proud      |

**V. Read the following passage and choose the correct answer to each question.**

If there is a building which symbolizes a country, such as the Eiffel Tower for France and Sydney Opera House for Australia, then it has to be the Taj Mahal for India.

It was set up by Emperor Shah Jahan in 1653 in memory of his wife, Mumtaz Mahal. From the time they got married, they wouldn't be separated. She followed him to wars, advised him on affairs of state, and was loved by his people for her good work. But she died in 1631 during her childbirth. The emperor was heartbroken and had the Taj Mahal built as a sign of his love.

It took more than 20 years for the Taj Mahal to be built. Workers were brought in, not only from all over India, but from central Asia too. A total of 20,000 people worked on the building.

In 1657, Shah Jahan fell ill and in 1658 his son, Aurangzeb, imprisoned his father and seized power. Shah Jahan stayed in prison until his death in 1666. He was finally buried there with his wife, who he could never forget.

The Taj Mahal is definitely worth more than a single visit. As it is built with white marble stones, its character changes in different lights. It looks more beautiful at sunrise and sunset. At sunset, for example, the color of the Taj Mahal changes from white to yellow, then to pink. As the moon rises, it turns a silvery white. To show respect to the Taj Mahal, tourists are asked to take off their shoes during their visit.

1. Which of the following about the Taj Mahal is NOT true?

- A. All workers building the Taj Mahal came from central Asia.
- B. It is widely believed to be the symbol of India.
- C. It took over 20 years to construct the Taj Mahal.
- D. The Taj Mahal was built with white marble stones.

2. Why did Emperor Shah Jahan build the Taj Mahal?

- A. To show his great power.
- B. For his wife to live in.
- C. To give his wife great honour.
- D. To make more world wonders.

3. The underlined word “who” in the passage refers to \_\_\_\_\_ .

- A. Shah Jahan
- B. Aurangzeb
- C. Mumtaz Mahal
- D. Taj Mahal

4. From the passage we can easily see that \_\_\_\_\_ .

- A. Mumtaz Mahal treated her son badly when she was young
- B. Mumtaz Mahal was not popular with the people at that time
- C. Shah Jahan lost his life just because of old age
- D. Shah Jahan lived a hard life in his last years

5. It can be inferred from the passage that the writer \_\_\_\_\_ .

- A. doesn't think the Taj Mahal worth a visit
- B. thinks highly of the Taj Mahal

- C. believes the Taj Mahal is the world's largest wonder
- D. has never visited the Taj Mahal

**VI. Use the words given and other words, complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence. Do not change the word given. (Use 2 – 5 words in total).**

1. They consider the temple to be a religious site in the community, that  
It \_\_\_\_\_ the temple is a religious site in the community.
2. Let's have a picnic on Cat Ba Island next weekend, suggest  
We \_\_\_\_\_ on Cat Ba Island next weekend.
3. It is being said that another sculpture will be built in the city centre, saying  
People \_\_\_\_\_ another sculpture will be built in the city centre.
4. How about visiting the Po Nagar Towers this Sunday? should  
I \_\_\_\_\_ the Po Nagar Towers this Sunday.
5. We have expected we could try some local specialties in Sa Pa. has  
It \_\_\_\_\_ we could try some local specialties in Sa Pa.