



Parent and Educator Guide At-Home Adventures through Asia: Vietnam

Welcome to Vietnam! We're so excited your young learners are joining us for this Adventure!

In our At-Home Adventures through Asia, we'll be learning:

- To make connections between our lives and ideas in various societies
- To create new understandings about cultures
- To identify the significance of various cultural celebrations
- To explain the relationships that exist between societies and their architecture, art, music, and literature

Please use the notes below to help guide young learners through their introduction to Vietnam. Download the accompanying presentation and we'll walk you through each step! Based on the needs of your child, take breaks between the content or spread it out over a few days. Older children can go through on their own, while younger children may need more support. You can stop to search online for pictures and videos.

Slides 1-2:

Tell your children how excited you are to travel to your next stop in Asia- Vietnam! Ask them to write down everything they know about Vietnam in the "k" column, and then create questions of what they want to learn.

If they've already completed the At-Home Adventure through other countries, help them create some questions of comparison. Is food similar or different? What about clothing? Do they also celebrate Lunar New Year?

Slides 3-5:

Vietnam was ruled by the Chinese during the Han Dynasties, with the Vietnamese gaining independence during the Ngo dynasty. The French also colonized Vietnam for nearly 100 years.

Watch the video on slide 5 to learn about the Trung sisters, the women revolutionaries of Vietnam. Ask your child if they can name any other women warriors. Add new information to the "L" column of the KWL.

Slides 6-8:

Where is Vietnam in relation to China? To Japan, and Korea? What other countries border Vietnam?

Google "Beaches in Vietnam" and "Cloud Mountains in Vietnam," and look at some of the images. Where would you most like to go and why?



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Slides 9-11

Tell them you're about to visit a city and the countryside! Watch the two videos on slide 10. Ask them how they think life would be different in the city than in the country. Add new information to the "L" column of the KWL.

Break

Slide 12-13:

Begin practicing ho to count in Vietnamese. Explore other videos to keep learning more.

Slides 14-15:

Watch the video on Vietnamese fashion. Google more images, or try to draw your own. Add any new information to the KWL chart.

Slides 16-17:

Like many Asian countries Vietnamese cuisine is centered on rice, as it is the main crop in the country. Flavors can vary depending on which region of the country you are in, however, in each of them you can find Chinese and French influences within their flavors. This makes for a unique experience in Houston, where Cajun food meets Vietanemese! Watch the video to learn more.

Slides 18-19:

Houston has the third largest population of Vietnamese Americans in the United States. Where can you see Vietnamese culture in Houston? Google and explore. Find new restaurants to enjoy and new cultural excursions!

Slide 20:

Go back to the KWL chart and add in new learnings. Ask questions that compare learnings from other Adventures.