

**Story Study Guide**  
**The Land I Lost: Adventures of a Boy in Vietnam**

**Prepare and due on \_\_\_\_\_**

After reading the story over, please prepare yourself for the written test by answering the following questions. Underline the correct response to the multiple-choice questions. Begin and end your sentences correctly, besides making sure that you restate the question as part of your answer for the short response questions.

- 1. The people in the restaurant believed that the narrator's grandfather was**
- a. a coward
  - b. a farmer
  - c. a karate champion

- 2. Which wild animal is feared and hated most by the people in the hamlet?**
- a. the crocodile
  - b. the horse snake
  - c. the lone wild hog

- 3. Why did the narrator's grandmother once knock someone to the floor in a restaurant?**

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- 4. Why was the restaurant owner happy that the grandmother fought the bully?**

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- 5. What does the narrator's grandmother believe is bad luck?**

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- 6. Why does the grandmother touch the tombstone and say, "Dear, I will join you soon"?**

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7. How do the people of the area make their living?

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8. Why are trenches built around the houses?

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9. This story is written

- a. from the third-person point of view
- b. from the first-person point of view
- c. from the second-person point of view

10. For what purpose was this story written?

- a. to tell about a boy's life and family
- b. to inform the reader about the country of Vietnam
- c. to explain why it is important to defend yourself

### VOCABULARY this week!

Fill in the blanks with the words from the word bank.

**Karate**

**passion**

**mythology**

**cultivate**

**hamlet**

1. During the rainy season, the narrator and his family helped plant and \_\_\_\_\_ fields of rice.
2. Grandmother knew Chinese \_\_\_\_\_ by heart, the stories of gods and heroes.
3. The boy's grandmother had a strong \_\_\_\_\_ for theater.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ is an Asian art of self-defense.
5. A \_\_\_\_\_ is another name for a village.

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