

TET HOLIDAY

What do Vietnamese do during Tet Holidays?

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Summary

Some of special activities Vietnamese do during Tet holidays:

- ◆ Seeing fire-work, going to pagoda on the New Year's Eve.
- ◆ Greetings, giving lucky-money, visiting relatives, friends, colleagues, neighbors,...
- → Playing games, taking part in some festivals.

1. Seeing fire-work, going to pagodas on the New Year's Eve



On the New Year's Eve, seeing fire-work is extremely popular.







◆ After that, people often go to pagodas to pray for their family or for themselves.





Keo pagoda









Fortune teller





2. Visiting relatives, friends, colleagues, neighbors,...

◆ "The First Day is Father's Tet, the Second Day is Mother's Tet and the Third Day is Teacher's Tet".







Greetings

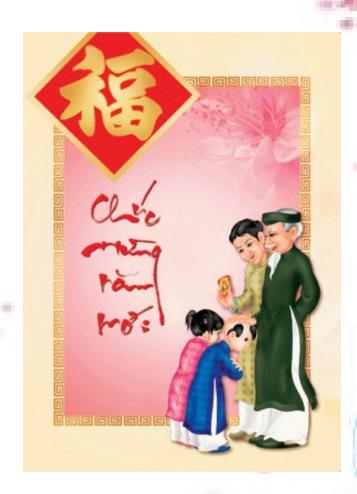
- ◆ Sống lâu trăm tuổi (Live up to 100 years).
- ★ An khang thịnh vượng (Security, good health, and prosperity).
- ◆ Vạn sự như ý (萬事如意) (May a myriad things go according to your will).
- ◆ Sức khoẻ dồi dào (Plenty of health).
- ◆ Cung hỷ phát tài (恭喜发财,恭喜發財). (Congratulations and be prosperous).
- → Tiền vô như nước (May money flow in like water).





Giving lucky-money

 Children receive a red envelope containing money from their elders. This tradition is called mừng tuối (happy new age) in the north and lì xì in the south.







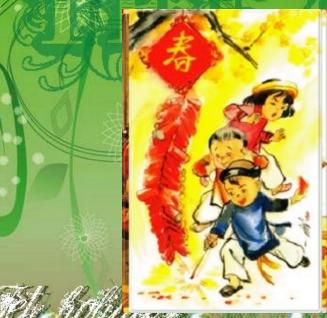
3. Playing games, taking part in some festivals

- ◆ People are delighted to enjoy exciting games during Tet.
- ◆ They also participate in some competitions presenting their knowledge, strength and aestheticism.
- Prosperous families can pay for dragon dancers to perform at their house.
- People also go away for special festival.



Festivals











◆ Nowadays, there are many modern activities occurring during Tet, but anyway, traditional activities still hold important role. Therefore, they need to be maintained and developed.

Thanks for your listening!



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