Week: Date of planning: Period: Date of teaching:

UNIT 5: OUR CUSTOMS AND TRADITIONS Lesson 3: A CLOSER LOOK 2

I. OBJECTIVES

By the end of this lesson, Ss will be able to achieve the following:

1. Knowledge

- Gain an overview about the zero article and know how to use it correctly.

2. Competences

- Develop communication skills and creativity
- Be collaborative and supportive in pair work and teamwork
- Actively join in class activities

3. Personal qualities

- Love and preserve customs and traditions.
- Be encouraged to know more about Vietnamese' customs and traditions.

II. MATERIALS

- Grade 8 textbook, Unit 1, Getting started
- Computer connected to the Internet
- Projector / TV
- hoclieu.vn

III. PROCEDURES

1. WARM-UP (5 mins)

a. Objectives:

- to create an active atmosphere in the class before the lesson
- to lead into the new lesson.

b. Content:

- show picture.

c. Expected outcomes:

- Students identify some cases in which we use zero article.

d. Organisation

TEACHER'S AND STUDENTS'	CONTENTS
ACTIVITIES	
- Teacher shows the pictures of the phrases	1. We held <u>a</u> family reunion last
learnt in A CLOSER LOOK 1.	week.
- Teacher has Ss call out the phrases as soon as	2. My mom prepares food offerings at
they see the pictures.	Tet.
-Teacher writes two sentences on the board "We	
held a family reunion last week", and "My mom	
prepares food offerings at Tet". Underline the	
article "a" in sentence 1. T asks Ss if they find	
"a" in sentence 2.	
- Teacher asks them what part of speech "a" is.	
T asks them if they remember other articles. T	
tells them that today they are going to revise "a,	
an, the" and learn about "zero article". Lead to	
the lesson.	

- Teacher introduces the objectives of the lesson. Write the objectives in the left corner of	
the board.	

2. ACTIVITY 1: PRESENTATION (10 mins)

a. Objectives:

- To review articles: a, an, the and teach how to use the zero article.

b. Content:

- Students identify some cases in which we use zero article.

c. Expected outcomes:

- Ss understand how to use the article correctly.

d. Organisation

TEACHER'S AND STUDENTS'	CONTENTS
ACTIVITIES	
- Have Ss do this exercise individually.	1. an
- Ask Ss to share their answers with other Ss.	2. a
- T checks and gives correct answers.	3. Ø
- Ask Ss to explain when we can use noun	4. Ø
without a/an/the.	5. the
- Go through the Remember box with Ss.	

3. ACTIVITY 2: PRACTICE (20 mins)

a. Objectives:

- To help Ss identify the use of articles at the sentence level.
- To help Ss recognise and use the articles correctly.
- To give practice with articles at sentence and text level.

b. Content:

- Task 2: Which of the underlined parts in each question is incorrect? Find and correct it.
- Task 3: Complete the sentences with a, an, the, or \emptyset (zero article).
- Task 4: Complete the text with *the* or \emptyset (zero article).

c. Expected outcomes:

- Students can use the articles correctly.

d. Organisation

TEACHER'S AND STUDENTS'	CONTENTS
ACTIVITIES	
Task 2: Which of the underlined parts in	
each question is incorrect? Find and correct	
it.	
(8 mins)	
- Teacher shows a picture of the Kitchen Gods	
Worshipping Ceremony. Encourage Ss to say	
aloud what they know about the ceremony	
(when it is, what happens, etc.)	Answer key:
- Teacher tells Ss that they are going to read	1. A (The Ø)

sentences about this ceremony. Tell them that one of the articles in each sentence is not used correctly.

- Teacher demonstrates the activity with the first sentence (find the mistake and correct it).
- Teacher has Ss do this exercise individually and then compare the answers with another classmate.
- Teacher invites some Ss to write their answers on the board.
- Teacher checks the answers with the whole class. T has some Ss explain their answers.
- T confirms the correct answers.

Task 3: Complete the sentences with a, an, the, or \emptyset (zero article). (5 mins)

- Teacher has Ss do this exercise individually and then compare their answers with a partner.
- Teacher asks some Ss to share their answers and have them explain their choice. Confirm the correct answers.

Task 4: Complete the text with the or \emptyset (zero article). (7 mins)

- Teacher writes on the board (or shows pictures on the slide) the following activities: *playing cards, watching TV, singing karaoke.*
- Teacher asks Ss if their family often does these activities together. Teacher tells Ss that we call activities that a family often do together *family time traditions*.
- Teacher tells Ss that the text is about the benefits of family time traditions, and they have to read and complete the blanks with *the* or \emptyset (zero article).
- Teacher has Ss work individually to complete the text.
- Teacher invites some Ss to write their answers on the board. Have Ss explain their answers.
- Teacher confirms the answers.
- For a stronger class, T asks them to talk about the benefits of family time traditions.

- 2. C (a the)
- 3. B (the Ø)
- 4. C (a Ø)
- 5. A (The Ø)

Answer key:

- 1. Ø
- 2. a
- 3. Ø
- 4. the
- 5. an

Answer key:

- 1. the
- 2. Ø
- 3. Ø
- 4. Ø
- 5. the

4. ACTIVITY 3: PRODUCTION (5 mins)

a. Objectives:

- To help Ss practise using the articles.

b. Content:

- Game
- c. Expected outcomes:

- Students can consolidate their use of articles

d. Organisation

CONTENTS
Answer key:
1. I usually meet my cousin at <u>the</u>
2. My uncle moved to <u>United States</u>
3. Our teachers assigned us a
1 I tum off the light and so to the
4. I turn off the light and go to the
5. Mark often wears red sweate r
3. Wark often wears <u>red sweater</u>

5. CONSOLIDATION (5 mins)

a. Wrap-upMake 5 sentences by using the articles

b. Homework

- Do exercises in the workbook.