

**Student Handout**  
**Oakland Museum of California**  
*What's Going On? California and the Vietnam Era*  
**Lesson Plan #3: Coming to Terms: Stories of Southeast Asian Political Refugees**

**Topics with Resources for Internet-based Research on Southeast Asian Countries and the Vietnam War**

The four teacher-assigned research teams will investigate the following topics with resources and prepare class presentations of their findings for the purpose of building a carefully constructed historical context base, and continuing their progress in addressing items and questions on the KWL Chart.

Topic 1 Southeast Asian Refugee Experiences

- University of California at Irvine Southeast Asian Archive  
“Documenting the Southeast Asian Refugee Experience”  
<http://www.lib.uci.edu/libraries/collections/sea/seaexhibit/index.html>

- Southeast Asian Resource Action Center  
“Southeast Asian Communities”  
<http://www.searac.org/commun.html>

Topic 2 Vietnamese Refugee Experiences

- Tolerance.Org, a web project of the Southern Poverty Law Center  
“Vietnamese Americans: An Interdisciplinary Curriculum and Resource Guide (A Brief History, Timelines, Maps & Demographics, Glossary)”  
<http://www.tolerance.org/teach/web/vietnamese/>

Topic 3 Cambodian Refugee Experiences

- Mekong Network Website  
“Beauty and Darkness: Cambodia in Modern History” (The Banyan Tree, Facts & Figures, and Cambodia, General Articles—“The Numbers: Quantifying Crimes Against Humanity in Cambodia,” and “The Unique Revolution” in their Essay section of the Articles menu)  
<http://www.mekong.net/>

Topic 4 Laotian Hmong Refugee Experiences

- Lao Human Rights Council Website  
Background Information; Demographics of Hmong in the United States of America  
<http://www.laohumrights.org/home.html>

- Hmong Center: Multicultural Resources and Education web pages  
Educational Resources and Lesson Plans: The Hmong Population; Hmong Lesson Plan for Teachers (History—Timelines and theories, Hmong Clans)  
<http://www.hmongcenter.org/index.html>

- Learn About Hmong website  
Hmong 101 Presentation <http://www.learnabouthmong.org/default.asp>

