

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

KWL Chart for Brainstorming

Column 1: What We Know Already	Column 2: What We Want to Learn	Column 3: What Did We Learn & What Do We Think About What We Learned
<p>The three Southeast Asian countries involved in the Vietnam War—how each country was involved</p> <p>The American military's role in each country—legal and otherwise</p> <p>What Americans at home did after the U.S. withdrew from Southeast Asia in 1975</p> <p>The American perspective on the Vietnam War—foreign policy perspective, military perspective, neoconservative and silent majority perspective, anti-war perspective</p> <p>America is a nation of immigrants</p> <p>What our sense of being American is</p>	<p>Cultural and geographic attributes of each country—Chinese/Indian influences, linguistic and other cultural differences, geographic and political similarities</p> <p>What happened in Vietnam, Cambodia, and Laos in 1975?</p> <p>Why did over two million become refugees?</p> <p>What are Vietnamese, Cambodian, and Laotian perspectives on the Vietnam War?</p> <p>What conditions did refugees face journeying to refugee camps and then departing from them?</p> <p>What did Southeast Asians experience as refugees in settling in California and America?</p> <p>What does it mean for Southeast Asian refugees to add “American” to their cultural identities?</p>	

