

The Illiterate Daughter Novel Study Overview

If students have not yet learned about the Hmong and the Vietnam War or Secret War, have them read the background information sheet to gain some historical context. The book is divided into forty short chapters, allowing for a pace of four chapters per day either in class or independently. Following this schedule, it would take approximately ten days to read, discuss, and complete the book and activities.

Begin the novel by engaging students with the anticipation guide and book trailer, which will help ignite their interest. Then read *The Illiterate Daughter* either independently or aloud as a class and have students complete comprehension questions throughout the reading process to ensure they are actively engaged and responsible for their learning.

Support Materials for Use with Students:

- Background information
- Anticipation guide
- Guided reading questions (chapter by chapter)
- Episodic notes
- Cause-And-Effect
- Discussion questions