

Where in the World?

Many of the soldiers who were sent to Vietnam had no idea where it was on a map or where it was located in the world. Once in Vietnam, many felt as though they were not only fighting the enemy, they were also fighting the landscape. Previous wars in Europe had not prepared US troops to fight in Vietnam's jungles and river deltas. In addition, to these areas, Vietnam also had highlands and mountainous areas.

Journey to Vietnam and complete the following activities to learn more about this historic region...



1. Complete the “Mapping the Terrain” activity to learn more about the Vietnam War by locating important places on a map of Vietnam to complete the missing words in the article.

<http://www.english.uiuc.edu/maps/vietnam/maps.htm>
<http://www.cnn.com/SPECIALS/cold.war/kbank/maps/>

2. How have Vietnam and the surrounding countries changed today? Choose one of the following cities from Vietnam, Cambodia or Laos to research. You will create a PowerPoint presentation that includes the following information:

History—particularly in relation to the Vietnam War
Population
Climate/ weather
Educational system/ local schools & universities
Attractions/ places of interest
Food
Government/ Economy/ Health care

You must also include at least ten pictures in your presentation.

Vietnam

Can Tho
Dalat
Danang
Hai Phong
Halong
Hanoi
Ho Chi Minh City
Hoi An
Hue
Nha Trang
Phan Thiet
Sapa

Cambodia

Battambang
Phnom Penh
Siem Reap
Sihanokville

Laos

Luang Prabang
Vang Vieng
Vientiane