

Teacher's Guide

The Inundated Plain Moko

Grade Levels:

K-5

Subject Areas:

Reading
Writing/Composition
Media Literacy/Critical Thinking
Earth Sciences

Synopsis:

Moko and Mei-Lei were out looking for shells to decorate the houses in the village. They ask the fisherman to take them to other beaches, and along the way discover a lake between the mountains and the forest. Moko is sure this is a gift from the sea but the fisherman assures him it comes from melting snow.

Learning Objectives: Students will:

- Enjoy the origin story presented in this program.
- Understand what a flood is and some of the possible causes.
- Evaluate Moko's reasoning and conclusions.

Vocabulary:

Coastline, river, canal, bed, flood, flash flood, torrential rain, monsoon, precipitation, climate

Pre-Viewing Discussion:

What do you like to do when it rains? When it snows?

What do you think happens to all that water?

Post-Viewing Discussion:

How did Moko think the lake got there? What did the fisherman tell him? Did Moko believe him?

What effect do you think floods have on the environment?

Further Activities:

Get more information on floods around the world. Are some destructive and some helpful? Explain.