

Map Link: <https://bit.ly/IndochinaMap>

Ask: *Where is Vietnam and how is it related to French Indochina?*

- Click the link above to launch the map. French (Fr.) Indochina is the multicolored area in on the right-hand side of the map.
- 1. **Where is Fr. Indochina in relationship to the United States?**
- Click on the Bookmark icon and select the bookmark, South Asia.
- 2. **How does the relative location of Fr. Indochina change?**
- Open and read the map note #1.
- 3. **When did French Indochina exist? Why was this area important to France?**
- Open and read the map note #2 North Vietnam.
- 4. **Where this map note located? Why is this city/battle important to the country of Vietnam?**

Acquire: *Why did the United States get involved militarily in Vietnam?*

- Click on Bookmarks and select Fr. Indochina. Open and read map note #3.
- 5. **Why did the US get involved the politics of North and South Vietnam? Which country will the US support?**
- Turn on the layer Fr. Indochina – Countries.
- 6. **What some of the other countries located in Southeast Asia**

Explore: *What was the vegetation and linguistic geography of Fr. Indochina?*

- Turn off the layer, Fr. Indochina – Countries, and turn on the layer Fr. Indochina – Vegetation.
- Using the Bookmarks, Fr. Indochina – Map Key, Fr. Indochina – South, and Fr. Indochina – North explore the vegetation geography of the region.
- 7. **What patterns do you notice about the vegetation of Fr. Indochina?**
- Turn of the Fr. Indochina – Vegetation layer and turn on the Fr. Indochina Ethnolinguistic layer.
- Using the Bookmarks, Fr. Indochina – Map Key, Fr. Indochina – South, and Fr. Indochina – North explore the linguistic geography of the region.

8. **What patterns do you notice?**

9. **Why do you think the United States CIA created these maps about French Indochina?**

Analyze: What was the military situation in Vietnam in 1965?

- Turn off all layers except Fr. Indochina countries and Fr. Indochina provinces.
- Turn on the layer Military Bases, 1965.

10. **What patterns do you notice regarding distribution of military bases in 1965.**

- Turn on the layer, Ho Chi Minh Trail, Open and read map note #4

11. **What was the Ho Chi Minh Trail? What spatial patterns do you notice about the trail**

Act: How did US involvement in Vietnam shift between 1965 – 1973?

- Turn on the layer Military Bases, 1968.

12. **What patterns do you notice regarding distributio of military bases in 1968?**

- Turn on the layer Military Bases, 1969-1971.

13. **What patterns do you notice regarding distribution of military bases in 1971?**

- Open and read Map Note # 5.

14. **How did US involvement in Vietnam change between 1969 – 1973?**

15. **When did South Vietnam fall to North Vietnam?**

16. **What information about French Indochina or the Vietnam War did you find surprising or interesting? Identify and explain to things. (Answers will vary)**