When we do cultural research, we avoid bias, stereotypes and prejudicial thinking by intentionally including the voices of the culture themselves. In today’s library assignment we will look for those voices in a couple of places: newspapers and (of course) books.

**Newspaper**

1. Find a quote from a Marriott Library newspaper database that talks about your group’s feelings about themselves in the United States (can be from the perspective of a scholar, or from a member of that community themselves).

2. MLA Citation of the newspaper article

   Newspaper Databases to try at www.lib.utah.edu > Research Databases:
   ProQuest Newsstand (most English papers in U.S. since 1995)
   New York Times Historic (complete run of East U.S. paper)
   San Francisco Chronicle Historic (complete run of West U.S. paper)
   L.A. Times Historic (complete run of West U.S. paper)

   suggested keywords
   hmong and interview
   japanese and “oral history”
   chinese-american and voices
   filipino and immigrant and (letter or editorial)
   vietnamese-american and quoted

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**Ebook**

1. Find a quote from a Marriott Library e-book that talks about your group’s feelings about themselves in the United States (can be from the perspective of a scholar, or from a member of that community themselves).

2. MLA Citation of the book or book chapter

   Where are the e-books?
   www.lib.utah.edu > USearch Tab (then use the left-hand ‘facets’ in the search results to narrow to ‘books’ and ‘available online’)
   see: http://campusguides.lib.utah.edu/c.php?g=160450&p=1053538 for more help

   suggested keywords (note the capitalization of the AND helps)
   hmong AND immigrant
   japanese AND immigration
   chinese AND diaspora
   hmong-american

   Make sure that the book you find intentionally is talking about living in the U.S. as an immigrant -and not about life in the native country. (see my examples on the next page)

   How to start? Find a book, look in the table of contents for a good looking chapter -and just start reading -it won’t take long.

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Note: if you are stuck, ask for help at www.lib.utah.edu try out the Live Chat -it is fun!
"My grandmother had so much fear of being forgotten," says Yang, eyes moist and voice trembling as she remembers. Her grandmother was illiterate and yet as a shaman and healer, she carried much of Hmong tradition and wisdom within her.

I don’t like the American way because you need somebody to help you and everything is money...

If it is a big problem...I need just cousins to solve, because we know the way to be human.
