

The Teaching of "A History of Democratic Kampuchea (1975-1979)"

## Democratic Kampuchea Textbook Distribution: A Public Education Forum between teachers, students and parents

**Pre-Forum Survey for Students** 

| Name (optional): | Occupation: (student, teacher, other): |
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| Birth Date:      | Gender:                                |
| Forum Site:      | Date:                                  |

**DIRECTIONS FOR PRE-TRAINING SURVEY:** Thank you for taking the time to answer the questions in this survey. Your answers are very important to the Ministry of Education and the Documentation Center of Cambodia. Your answers and any personal information you provide will be used solely for educational or general research purposes related to the improvement of the Genocide Education Project. Below you will find three distinct surveys. If you are a student, you only need to answer the student survey; if you are a teacher, you only need to answer the survey for teachers; and if you are not a student or a teacher, please answer the survey for "others." Thank you again for your participation and your help in the Genocide Education Project.

| Students |  |  |
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| 1.       | Do you believe that mass atrocities occurred during the DK regime? (Yes or No)                               |  |
|          | Explain why or why not.  |  |
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| 2.       | Have you ever talked about the DK period with your parents or people who lived during this time? (Yes or No) |  |
| 3.       | Do you believe the DK regime was as horrible as the stories you've heard or read about? (Yes or No)          |  |
|          | Explain why or why not.  |  |
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| 4.       | Are you comfortable asking your parents or people who lived during DK about DK? (Yes or No)                  |  |
|          | Explain why or why not.  |  |
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| 5.       | What question(s) about DK do you feel uncomfortable asking?  |  |
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| 6. | If one of your friends is a son/daughter of a perpetrator, would you discriminate against him or her? (Yes or No) |
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|    | Explain why or why not.   |
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| 7. | How would you describe your knowledge of the DK period? Choose one.   |
|    | a. I know nothing about the DK period.  |
|    | b. I know a little about the DK period.   |
|    | c. I know some facts about the DK period, but I am not very knowledgeable.  |
|    | d. I am very knowledgeable about the DK period.   |
|    | e. I know enough about the DK period to teach others.   |
| 8. | If someone asked you, "Why did people commit horrible acts during the DK period?"                                 |
|    | How would you respond to this question?   |
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| 9. | Should the history of DK be taught in schools? (Yes or No)  |
|    | Explain why or why not.   |
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| 10 | . What topic(s) in the DK period do you think <i>must</i> be taught in schools?                                   |
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