

# Week 3: Anh Do's Story

LI: We are learning to build our schema on Anh Do.

Read the text below about Anh Do. Think about a time when you have had to face a really tough challenge. Write down what it was, and how you got through it.

## Anh Do

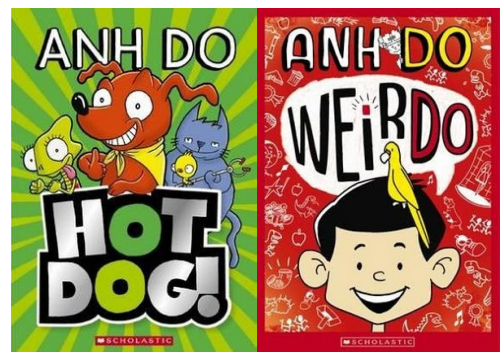
Anh Do is a famous comedian. He is well known for his books. He is the writer of both the WeirDo! and Hot-Dog books.

However, Anh's life wasn't always this successful. At the age of 3, he and his family left Vietnam, after the Vietnam war ended. They decided to leave Vietnam because they were on the losing side of the war.

He fled Vietnam on a small wooden fishing boat. They were attacked by pirates, and finally saved by a German cargo ship. After this they ended up spending time in a Malaysian refugee camp. Eventually they came to Australia.

In Australia, Anh and his family had a difficult time. English was hard to learn, he had different foods to the other children, and wore different clothes. Soon, he learnt English and started doing well in school.

Anh Do is now enjoying success after many years of hard work. He is a comedian, he tells jokes for a living. How cool is that? He is also an author. Have you read any of his WeirDo! or Hot-Dog books? On top of all this, he is an amazing artist. He often paints portraits of famous Australians. He even has his own show about called *Anh's Brush with Fame*.



Imagine having being forced to leave your life, going through so many tough times, and being super successful at the end of it all. Anh Do really shows, it doesn't matter where you come from or what you go through, hard work can get you through it.

# Week 3: The Vietnam War

LI: We are learning to build our schema on The Vietnam War.

Read the following text about the Vietnam War. Write down any important facts you need to understand *The Little Refugee*. Look up any unknown/difficult words, and write them down. Draw a picture of a child, around them write down how they would be feeling if they were going through war.

# The Vietnam War

(taken from <https://www.americanhistoryforkids.com/the-vietnam-war/>)

In the late 1800s, the area that is now Vietnam was called French Indochina. It under French control for a long time, but in 1945 Ho Chi Minh defeated the French. The country was split into two parts: North and South Vietnam.

North Vietnam wanted the whole country to be communist. Communism is a government idea where everybody owns the property, and people get only what they need. Everyone must do their fair part to help.

In December 1960, an army called National Liberation Front, commonly called the Viet Cong, came to challenge the South Vietnamese government. A civil war started control of South Vietnam.

In 1964, USA President Johnson asked the government for permission to be harder against Vietnam. This led to the USA to join the Vietnam War.

