

# TAIKEN Education Series

## Viewing Guide: Mits Sumiya

1. Who were Mits' allies and adversaries as a child in Vancouver? What does this say about the environment he grew up in?

*Vocabulary: hakujin (Japanese) - literally "white person"*

2. Why did Mits have to go to a prisoner of war camp?

3a. Mits talks about living under martial law at Angler - that is, living under the control of the military, instead of having the usual protections of individual rights that ordinary civil law provides. List some examples of what kind of conditions at Angler indicate a lack of civil freedom.

3b. How does the War Measures Act relate to what happened to Mits?

4. Mits says he both does and does not regret his time in Angler. Why? What was the choice he talks about, and what would have happened if he had made it differently?