

Guiding Questions

Helpful questions to encourage discussion and activities related to Kumukahi videos



Topic: **LOKO I'A**
 Part of: 'Ōnaepuni chapter, Ka Honua realm
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Specific questions

1. How old are the loko i'a, or fishponds? How do we know how old they are?
2. What are loko i'a used for? How does the system work?
3. How is the mākāhā, or sluice gate, related to the idea of sustainability?
4. In a loko i'a, what is the difference between pua, or fingerlings, and natural predators? Give examples.
5. Some families and organizations in Hawai'i are restoring traditional loko i'a to be used as a food source. In what ways could these efforts help Hawai'i in the long term?
6. What would you need to be able to construct a loko i'a? How might you become involved in loko i'a restoration?

General questions

- What does this video teach us about Hawaiian knowledge and its relevance today?
- How does this video relate to other aspects of Hawaiian culture you've learned or experienced?
- How can we keep these cultural practices alive today and in future generations?