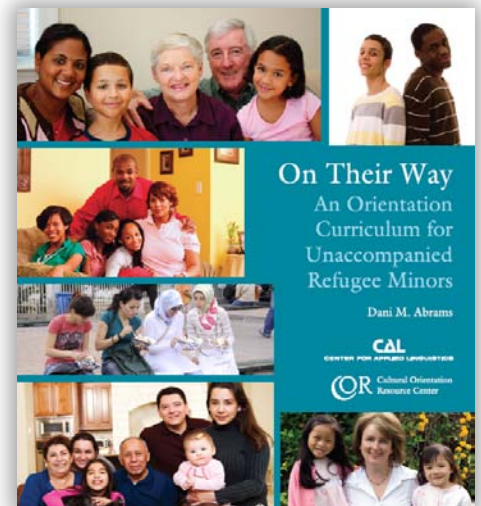


On Their Way: An Orientation Curriculum for Unaccompanied Refugee Minors

Web Conference: Orientation for Unaccompanied Refugee Minors

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Purpose of *On Their Way*

- ▶ To support programs working with URM and refugee youth by offering:
 - Resources and materials
 - Guidance based on stakeholder feedback
 - Resources designed to complement programs



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Overview

- ▶ Introduction
- ▶ The Unaccompanied Refugee Minor Program
- ▶ Travel and Settling In
- ▶ Family Life
- ▶ Education
- ▶ Cultural Adjustment
- ▶ Social Interactions
- ▶ Rights and Laws



Introduction

- ▶ Overview
- ▶ Using This Manual
- ▶ Instructional Approach
- ▶ Activity Plan Matrix



Example – Unit 3: Family Life

► Topic Overview for the Trainer



Unit 3: Family Life	Time							Page
A Day in a Refugee Minor's Life: The Basics	25 min	✓	✓	✓	✓			87
Family Life: Case Study	30 min		✓	✓	✓			103
Family Left Behind	30 min		✓	✓	✓			109
Diverse U.S. Families	20 min		✓	✓	✓		✓	113
Learning to Live With Your Foster Family	35 min		✓	✓	✓			119
Changing Roles	30 min		✓	✓	✓			125
Religious Roles	30 min	✓	✓	✓	✓			137
Siblings	30 min		✓	✓	✓			141

KEY

Icon	Description	Icon	Description
	Knowledge		Expansions for <i>Story of Me</i>
	Skills		Variations for poster(s)
	Attitudes		Transferable to youth CO (with adaptations)

Layout of Activity Plans



- Time
-  Knowledge
-  Skills
-  Attitudes
-  Story of Me
-  Poster variations
-  Youth CO

✓ Objectives

 Materials

 Presentation

 Activity

 Reflection

 Expansions and Variations

 Additional Resources

Learning English

Activity Plan Materials



Variations and Themes

- ▶ Adaptability for youth CO
- ▶ Time and prioritizing topics
- ▶ Diverse groups
- ▶ Story of Me:
http://www.cal.org/co/Curricula/story_of_me_workbook.pdf.
- ▶ English vocabulary



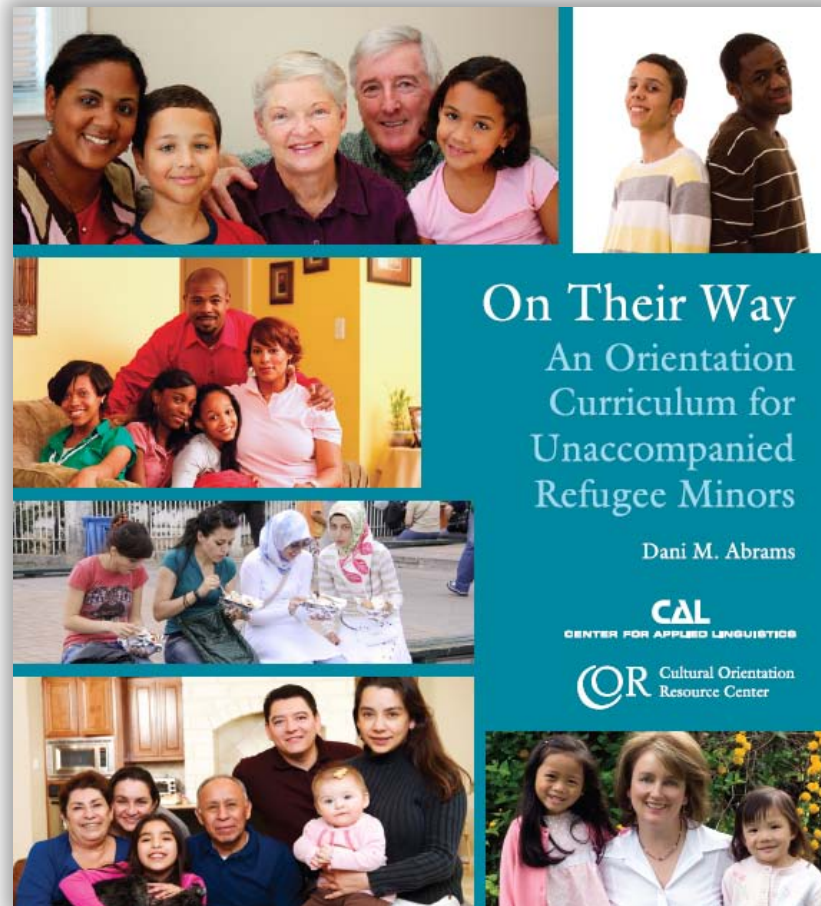
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On Their Way Availability



http://www.cal.org/co/curricula/Unaccompanied_Refugee_Minor_curriculum.pdf