

Activity Idea

George Takei

Recommended for Adults

George Takei was born April 20, 1937, in Los Angeles and is best known for his portrayal of Mr. Sulu in both the original Star Trek television series and the many films that were made about the characters from that series. His credits also include appearances on other television programs, films, and writings. In 1994, his *To the Stars: The Autobiography of George Takei* was published; in it, Takei not only discusses his career as a member of the cast of Star Trek, but also his formative years and life inside the relocation camps during World War II.

Mr. Takei, like 120,000 other Japanese and Japanese Americans, was forcefully moved to relocation camps after the attack on Pearl Harbor. Under President Roosevelt's Executive Order 9066, it was the policy of the United States government from 1942 to 1945 to keep persons of Japanese descent who lived in the exclusion zone in relocation camps. In 1988, Congress issued a formal apology for the actions of the United States government during World War II.

Books:

To the Stars by George Takei (Audiobook) on Hoopla [tinyurl.com/uptkxsq](https://www.hoopla.com/audiobook/George-Takei-To-the-Stars)

They Called Us Enemies by George Takei (Graphic Novel) on Hoopla [tinyurl.com/uaewf2n](https://www.hoopla.com/graphic-novel/George-Takei-They-Called-Us-Enemies)

Life As A Child in a Japanese Internment Camp on Hoopla [tinyurl.com/wyndvga](https://www.hoopla.com/life-as-a-child-in-a-japanese-internment-camp)

Films:

To Be Takei on Kanopy [tinyurl.com/t9fcv5p](https://www.kanopy.com/video/to-be-takei)

Proof of Loyalty on Kanopy [tinyurl.com/uv5q45p](https://www.kanopy.com/video/proof-of-loyalty)

Pat Morita on Television Academy [tinyurl.com/rg4benv](https://www.televisionacademy.com/pat-morita)

Museum:

Japanese American National Museum online collection [tinyurl.com/85jotj2](https://www.janm.org/collection)

Online Resources:

Japanese-American Relocation Camp Newspapers [tinyurl.com/sp6l8zk](https://www.janm.org/collection)

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