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**The Things They Carried** Reading Guide

How does the author create strong imagery throughout the first chapter? What specific scenes or descriptions do you find particularly memorable?

Why do you think author Tim O’Brien decides to describe the men of alpha company primarily through the physical possessions that they carried during their time in Vietnam?

What thoughts do you have as a reader through the first chapter? How are you responding (emotionally) to the subject matter and the way the author represents it (what do you feel)?