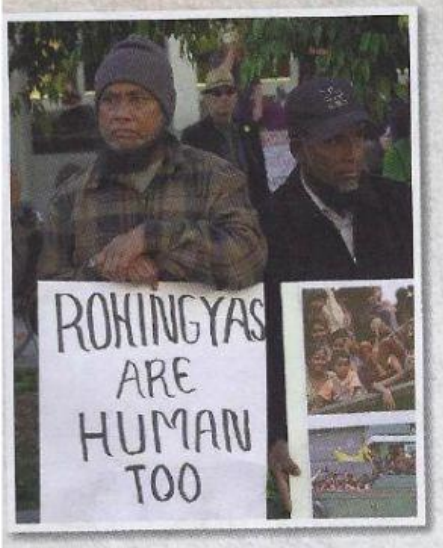
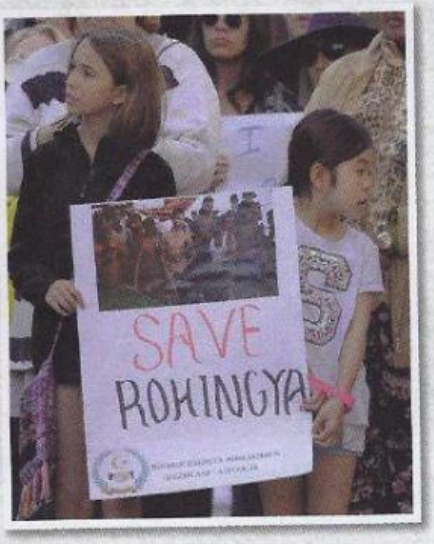
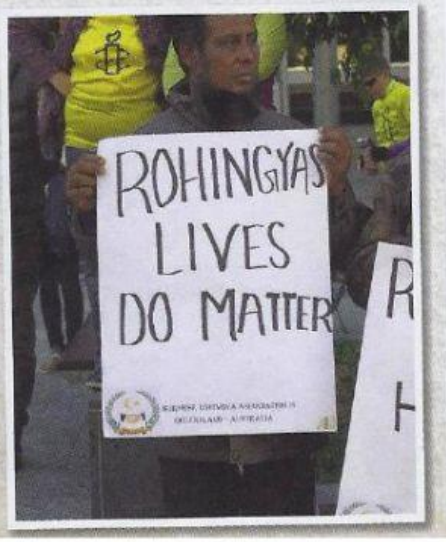
Reading time







How many Rohingya are there in Thailand?

The Rohingya people have a problem. They live in Myanmar's Rakhine State, which shares a border with Bangladesh. Myanmar says the people are Bangladeshi. Bangladesh says they come from Myanmar. What can the Rohingya do?

There has been a lot of **violence** in Rakhine State. The Rohingya, who are Muslim, make up 30-40% of the population. The rest are Buddhists, and the two religious groups have not been able to live peacefully together. Many Rohingya have tried to leave Myanmar, **fleeing** to Bangladesh, Pakistan and Thailand.

Human rights charities say the **persecution** of Rohingya people is some of the worst in the world. They have no safe home, but when they move, they are not always welcome. They have no legal nationality, which means they cannot get education and services. Since 2014, even the word 'Rohingya' is not allowed in Myanmar.

Nobody knows how many Rohingya people live in Thailand. It could be as few as 4,000 or as many as 100,000. But one thing is for sure: their lives are not easy. They are not recognised as **refugees**, which means they must stay in camps or take a risk with **traffickers**.

The traffickers promise a new life in Malaysia. The journey is expensive, and it is **illegal** for Rohingya to work there, but they don't have to stay in camps. Sadly, some of the traffickers break their promise. Rohingya people are often sold, trapped at sea, and **forced** to work on fishing boats.

There is one piece of good news. In 2016, Myanmar agreed to let ASEAN officials visit Rakhine State. If they find problems, hopefully the **organisation** can help to solve them. But for now, the Rohingya **remain** a people without a home and without basic rights.

LIVEWORKSHEETS

No Place to Call Home

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Understanding A

Complete the sentences with the words from the text.

1. There is a border between _____ and Myanmar's Rakhine State.
2. The majority of people in Rakhine State are Buddhists, but the Rohingya are _____
3. Most Rohingya cannot go to school because they have no _____.
4. Rohingya people in Thailand must live in _____.
5. Traffickers tell Rohingya people they will take them to_____.
6. Mynamar said officials from _____ could enter Rakhine State.



Understanding B

Choose the best words to complete the sentences.

7. Muslims make _____ around 5% of Thailand's population.
8. There may be as _____ as 5,000 black rhinos left in the world.
9. Nobody was allowed to leave the _____.
10. I don't want to _____ a risk like that. I don't know what will happen.
11. It's _____ for children to buy alcohol.
12. He was _____ in the room for an hour until Pim opened the door.
13. She didn't want to help, but her parents _____ her.
14. We'll know the answer after the _____ meet next week.

LIVEWORKSHEETS



Understanding C

Write **TRUE** if the statement is correct and write **FALSE** if the statement is not.

15. The Rohingya people live in Rakhine State.
16. Rohingya have tried fleeing to Bangladesh, India, and Thailand.
17. Human rights say the persecution of Rohingya people is some of the worst in the world.
18. There are 120,000 Rohingya people in Thailand.
19. It is legal for Rohingya people to work in Malaysia.
20. Rohingya people don't have a place to call home.

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