American History: **ELLIS ISLAND**



→ Watch the video

Shows a large open barge loaded with people of every nationality, who have just arrived from Europe, disembarking
at Ellis Island, N.Y.
(Library of Congress - free to use material)



→ Watch the video and do the tasks below

An educational story about Ellis Island and how immigrants came to America

Ellis Island is a small island in the Hudson River in …….. harbor.

It was the largest immigration center. *(immigration - action of coming to live permanently in a foreign country)*

…. million immigrants passed the registration process here from …… - …… .

It was the idea of …….. Benjamin Harrison.

In 1897 a great …….. burned down the entire building and all the records (= all written documents) were lost.

Ellis Island was ……..... for two years.
…… was a special year. One million people arrived on Ellis Island.

Some immigrants already had …….. in America. So there was a special area where people met: The …….. podest.

Travelling to America was not …….. long ago.

People who could not afford to travel first or second class …
… often got …….. on the crowded ships,
… they had to undergo a …….. check
… and had to …….. longer for the medical and legal inspection.

People were asked about 30 …….. like name, education, about their past and about future plans.

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2 % were rejected *(didn't get)* citizenship *(= the right to live in a country)* for medical or legal reasons and were sent back to their countries.

Most immigrants came from …….. at that time.

40 % of today's Americans have …….. who came from Europe and had arrived at Ellis Island.

Today Ellis Island is a …….. and you can learn about America's history.

→ **Write down the sentences WRITTEN IN RED into your Exercises!**
→ You want to learn more about Ellis Island? → Here is another Liveworksheet

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