

Immigration Research Sheet

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- Immigrants are people _____
- In the US, almost every American is either an _____ or descended from one.
- The 3 main groups that Americans descend from are _____, _____, and immigrants.
- People come to the U.S. for several reasons.
 - Many people were _____ and were pulled by the possibility of _____.
 - People were pushed out of their home countries by _____ and _____ intolerance and that the colonies had less control over people's _____.
 - America also had much more unpopulated _____ compared to Europe.
- Immigrants flooded into America from places like Germany where they escaped _____, from Ireland to escape _____, and from China to find _____.
- The 14th Amendment promised that any child born in the US would be an _____.
- In 1892, America opened an _____ center in New York Harbor called Ellis Island.
- Eventually, about _____ % of Americans had an ancestor that came through Ellis Island.
- In 1882, the Chinese Exclusion act kept Chinese workers from coming to the US or from _____.
- After WWII, the US would agree to offer asylum or _____ to people fleeing persecution.

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First Paragraph

- Ellis Island was the largest immigration station in the U.S. from _____ to _____. Over _____ Americans came through the island during this time.
- Its nickname was the _____ because people hoped they could find a better _____ in America.

Passing the Inspections

- All immigrants had to pass a _____ inspection to make sure they weren't _____. Then they were interviewed by _____ who would decide if they could _____ themselves. They also had to prove they had some _____ and later that they could _____. This was to help make sure they could get a job.
- Tests and inspections could take _____ to _____ hours.
- If you didn't pass you would be sent _____. Sometimes families were _____ because a parent or a child was sent _____.
- The island was also nicknamed the "Island of _____."

What was Angel Island?

- Angel Island was a place for people who _____ from around the _____.
- From 1910 to 1940, half a _____ immigrants came through Angel Island.
- They may have to stay on the island for _____, _____ or even _____.
- Immigrants in Angel Island had a _____ time entering the U.S. than immigrants from _____.
- They were often _____ against because of their race. There were even multiple _____ that were meant to exclude certain races from coming to America.

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- A U.S. citizen is an official _____ of the country.
- U.S. citizens get to _____ in elections, run for _____ (mayor, president, VP, governor), work for the _____ (secret service, firefighter, police officer, FBI, army, navy, post office), and are protected by U.S. _____.

Who can become a citizen?

- In order to be a citizen, a person must first _____ immigrate to the U.S. and live here for _____ years.
- Immigrants apply for a _____ resident card called a _____ card. This allows you to stay in the country, but you don't have all the rights of a citizen yet.
- You have to be _____ years old and show good moral _____. This means you have a good record.
- You have to be able to speak _____ and take an oath of _____ to the U.S.

Application, Fingerprinting and Interview

- After sending in their application, it can sometimes take _____ than a _____ before a decision is made.
- The FBI will take your _____ to check and make sure you haven't committed any major _____.
- You will then be interviewed about things like your _____, _____, _____ and background. They will check how well you read and write _____.
- They will also test you on the _____ of the U.S. There might be around _____ questions you could be asked.

Taking the Oath

- The final step is taking the _____ of _____. A person promises to obey the _____ of the Constitution and _____ the U.S.
- Then they receive a _____ of Naturalization and are officially a U.S. citizen.

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