

Title: Their Great Gift: Courage, Sacrifice, and Hope in a New Land



Author: _____

Illustrator: _____

BEFORE You Read

What is the best gift that you have ever received? _____

Tell three reasons it was such a great gift. _____

WHILE You Read

Look for these words while you read. When you see one, write the page number where you see it. Use context clues (the other words and pictures around a word) to guess each word's meaning. Draw lines to the meanings.

page ____ shift (noun)

change from one thing to another

page ____ sacrifice

a group of work hours in a job

page ____ shifted (verb)

when a person comes to a new place

page ____ did without

keep going when you don't have something you

page ____ arrival

want or need

give up something now to get something better later

AFTER You Read

genre = a kind or type of music, writing, or art

What is the genre of this book: fiction or non-fiction? _____ How do you know? _____

The author begins the book by stating, "My family came here from far away..." Where is "here?" _____ What does he mean when he says, "far away?" _____

The author reports that his family "dreamed of more." They dreamed of more of what? _____

The author tell us that they "didn't know how to do certain things." Tell two things they might they not have known how to do. Look at the pictures for clues. _____

The author shares that his family made mistakes sometimes, and people laughed at them. List two kinds of mistakes someone new to a country might make. _____

native = related to where a person was born

Tell two things people often sacrifice when they leave their native country. _____

What does "They worked long, hard hours..." mean? _____