

# 49 Migration

## A People on the move


Word	Meaning	Example
<b>flee (from) sth/sb</b> <i>pt/pp fled</i>	escape from a dangerous situation, place or person very quickly	<i>Thousands of people are <b>fleeing</b> the bombing in the city.</i>
<b>refugee</b>	sb who is forced to leave their country for political, religious or environmental reasons	<i>Many <b>refugees</b> have crossed the border to escape the war.</i>
<b>refuge</b>	shelter or protection from trouble or danger	<i>The men had to <b>take/seek refuge</b> in the French embassy.</i>
<b>asylum</b>	the protection a country gives to a refugee	<i>The numbers <b>seeking / applying for asylum</b> have increased recently.</i>
<b>ethnic</b>	connected with or belonging to a nation or race that shares a cultural tradition	<i><b>an ethnic community</b></i>
<b>minority</b>	a small group within a community or country that is different because of race, religion, etc.	<i><b>Ethnic minorities</b> make up 10% of the town's population.</i>
<b>racial discrimination</b>	existing between people of different races the practice of treating sb or a group in society less fairly than others	<i><b>racial tension/violence</b> <b>a victim of racial/sex discrimination</b></i>
<b>prejudice</b> (against sb/sth)	a strong dislike of sb, especially based on race, religion or sex, and not on reason or experience	<i>Their decision was based on <b>prejudice</b> and a complete lack of understanding.</i>

### SPOTLIGHT *migration*

**Migration** is the movement of people or animals from one place to another. People are **migrants**.

**Immigration** is the process of coming to live in a country that is not your own. People are **immigrants**. **migrate** v

**Emigration** is the process of going to live in another country that is not your own. **emigrate** v

- 1 Is the pronunciation of the underlined letters the same or different? Write S or D. Use the  to help you.

- 1 flee refugee ..... 3 prejudice refuge ..... 5 ethnic minority ..... 7 racial emigration .....  
2 refuge asylum ..... 4 migration minority ..... 6 prejudice refugee ..... 8 asylum migrant .....

- 2 Circle the correct word(s). Sometimes both words are possible.

- In 2017–2018, **immigration / emigration** from the UK to other parts of the world increased.
- Most refugees who **seek / apply** asylum do so in a country neighbouring their own.
- Representatives of the city's **ethnic / racial** communities are involved in the discussions.
- The villagers took **refugee / refuge** in nearby towns.
- In the past, there was more racial **prejudice / discrimination**.
- People **fled / flew** in terror to escape the flood.
- Ignorance is often behind the prejudice against **migrants / immigrants**.
- Women and children were forced to **seek / take** refuge in the local church.

- 3 One word is missing in each line. What is it, and where does it go?

- There's no limit on the number of people given political in this country. ....
- Racial and sexual is against the law in matters of employment. ....
- Economic to richer countries has existed for centuries. ....
- There are over 2,000 seeking political asylum in this country. ....
- Nearly half a million people were forced to their homes during the civil war, and many of them refuge in the mountains, away from the fighting. ....
- My neighbour has always had a against people whose skin is a different colour. ....
- Asians only form a small within the population. ....
- There has been a lot of tension between different ethnic groups. ....



### TEST YOURSELF



## B Migration: a personal experience

Moving from my **native** country was a huge **culture shock**. There was a lot to get used to – not least of all the food! But I didn't suffer the prejudice or **hostility** that some migrants experience. **For the most part**, people have accepted me for what I am, including my religious **faith**. They've seen beyond the **stereotype**. And **for my part**, I recognize the need for **integration** in order to be able to **live in peace with** my neighbours. I still have feelings of **nostalgia** for my **country of origin**, and I suppose I will always be a foreigner in some respects; but this is home now, and I have no **desire** to go back.



### GLOSSARY

<b>native</b>	connected with the place where you were born and lived for the first few years of your life: <b>your native country/land/city</b>
<b>shock</b>	the feeling you get when sth unpleasant happens. <b>Culture shock</b> is the confusion and anxiety that sb may feel when they visit or first live in another country.
<b>hostility (to/ towards sb)</b>	very strong aggressive feelings against sb/sth <b>hostile adj</b>
<b>faith</b>	a strong belief in sth, often a <b>religious faith</b>
<b>stereotype</b>	a fixed idea of what a particular type of person or thing is like, but which is often not true <b>stereotypical adj</b>
<b>integration</b>	the process of becoming a full member of a group or society <b>integrate (into sth) v</b>
<b>live in peace (with sb)</b>	live without arguing with other people
<b>nostalgia</b>	a feeling of sadness mixed with pleasure when you think of happy times in the past <b>nostalgic adj</b>
<b>origin</b>	a person's social and family background: <b>a person's country of origin</b> (= where they were born)
<b>desire</b>	a strong wish: <b>have a desire / no desire to do sth</b>

### SPOTLIGHT Idioms with *part*

**for the most part** mostly; usually

**for my part** speaking for myself ALSO **for his/her, etc. part**

**in part** partly; to some extent: *His success was due in part to luck.*

**have a part to play (in sth)** be able to help sth

■ *We all have a part to play in the fight against racial discrimination.*

### 4 Combine words/phrases in the box to form six phrases.

culture	live	faith	have no	to play	country
desire to do sth	have a part	of origin	in peace	shock	religious

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### 5 Cross out the word which is wrong. Write the correct word at the end.

- Why is there so much hostility for politicians in this town? .....
- The problems are due in partly to overcrowding. ....
- Do you have feelings of nostalgic for your childhood? ....
- He doesn't fit the stereoscope of a typical 30-year-old businessman. ....
- The government policy is to aid newcomers' integrity into society. ....
- I'm a natural New Yorker: in fact, I've never lived anywhere else. ....

### 6 Complete the dialogue.

**Beth** When you first emigrated, what things did you have to get used to?

**Amy** Well, obviously the climate! But seriously, in my (1) ..... country, many people no longer have a strong religious (2) ....., whereas here, religion is at the heart of people's lives, so that added to my sense of culture (3) ..... I discovered that for the most (4) ..... people had a (5) ..... view of how western women behave, as they seemed surprised when they got to know me. I dressed appropriately and behaved sensitively, as I had no (6) ..... to upset people. Basically, (7) ..... my part, I just wanted to (8) ..... into society as best I could.

**Beth** And do you feel that's happened?

**Amy** To be honest, people have never been (9) ..... towards me – quite the opposite. People here just want to live in (10) ..... with each other, as I do. Having said that, I will always be something of a foreigner here, and I still feel (11) ..... sometimes when I think of home.



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