

NORTH STAR 3e Level 4

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Video Activity Worksheet

Unit 9: Immigration

Immigration: Yesterday and Today

Comprehension

Predict

This video profiles the immigrants' experience in the United States, past and present; their determination to have a better life; and the challenges they face.

Before you watch the video, answer the following question. What challenges do immigrants face?

Focus *Watch the video. Answer the following question.* What were the two entry points into the United States?

Comprehension A

Write five examples from the video that support the statement below.

The price for freedom was high.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Comprehension B

Which of the following ideas can you infer from the video? Check (✓) the correct ideas.

- Ellis Island received more immigrants from Western Europe than Angel Island.
- The process of assimilating is much easier today.
- Not knowing the language is the most challenging obstacle.
- The ability to adapt depends on an immigrant's intelligence.
- There are classes that help new immigrants understand the American culture.



Speaking

Choose one of the topics. Record and submit a one-to two-minute response.

- Have you ever heard the term "the American Dream"? What do you think it is? Does it really exist?
- Have you ever moved to or lived in a different country? Describe the experience.
- How long did you live there? What difficulties did you have? What did you learn? If you haven't lived in a different country, do you know people who have? Describe their experience.
- Are there many immigrants in your country? Where do they come from? How well are they assimilated into your culture?

Writing

Write about a time when you felt like an outsider, in a situation or a place that was new for you. If you have lived in another country write about that. If you haven't, you can write about starting college, a new class, a new job, even attending a social event where you didn't know anybody. What was new for you? How did you feel? Write about the positive and negative aspects of this experience. Use specific examples.

