

The Immigrant Experience

For the last few weeks, we have studied the immigrant experience. We studied the reasons why they left, their difficult journey, the Ellis Island experience, the terrible living conditions once they “settled” in the United States, and the rising anti-immigrant movement.

For this mini-project, you will deeply analyze the immigration process by looking at primary and secondary sources and create a “Fakebook Page” as if you were an immigrant.

Assignment Guidelines:

1. Select whether you want to research the Italian, Jewish, or Irish immigrant experience.
2. Begin research by looking at the websites in the “Resource” section to get information on the different aspects of your immigrant’s experience
3. You will need to research **many** of the resources to create a full profile of you immigrant.
4. Create a “Fakebook” page using <http://www.classtools.net/FB/home-page>
5. Requirements for your page
 1. Name of Immigrant (your name in parenthesis), cover picture, and profile picture
 2. About
 - a. birth
 - b. family
 - c. Birthplace
 - d. Destination
 - e. Personal info (profession, interests, political views, hobbies, Groups)
 3. Friends
 - a. Minimum 4 friends (must be realistic)
 - b. pictures of friends
 4. Blocked People
 - a. minimum of 2 people or group who the immigrant would not get along with
 5. Posts (10)
 - a. life in Europe (why you are leaving)

- b. 2 about voyage
- c. arrival in America (Ellis Island)
- d. 3 life in America (job, living conditions, adjustments to America, relationship with others)
- e. 2 additional with pictures, 1 another type of media (video, link to something useful for another immigrant: clothing, housing opportunities, house goods, recommendations)
- f. Requirements: 4 posts must have a comment by someone else and a response, 4 posts must be 3-5 sentences long
- g. 3 posts must include a creative Hashtag (for example #NeverthoughtIwouldmakeit)
- h. You must cite your sources in parenthesis of each post
- i. minimum of 5 sources

Resources

1. Italian Immigrant experience

<http://www.everyculture.com/multi/Ha-La/Italian-Americans.html>

<http://www.loc.gov/teachers/classroommaterials/presentationsandactivities/presentations/immigration/italian5.html>

2. General Pictures about immigration

<http://www.loc.gov/teachers/classroommaterials/primarysourcesets/immigration/>

3. Statistics about population of NYC

<http://www.tc.columbia.edu/faculty/waite/teach/texts/txt01.htm>

4. Experience of Italian Immigrant in school

<http://www.tc.columbia.edu/faculty/waite/teach/texts/txt12.htm>

5. Irish Potato Famine

<http://www.historyplace.com/worldhistory/famine/introduction.htm>

<http://xroads.virginia.edu/~hyper/SADLIER/IRISH/Famine.htm>

<http://xroads.virginia.edu/~hyper/SADLIER/IRISH/village.htm> (picture of town)

<http://xroads.virginia.edu/~hyper/SADLIER/IRISH/Liverpoo.htm> (drawing of emigration)

<http://xroads.virginia.edu/~hyper/SADLIER/IRISH/cartoon.htm> (boat pic)

6. Steamships

<http://xroads.virginia.edu/~hyper/SADLIER/IRISH/cartoon.htm>

7. Ellis Island

<http://www.history.com/topics/ellis-island>

<http://www.nps.gov/elis/historyculture/stories.htm> (stories of immigrants)

http://www.nyarrivals.com/ellis_island_experience.html (name changing, NYTimes articles 1890)

<http://teacher.scholastic.com/activities/immigration/>(virtual tour, statistics)

<http://www.ohranger.com/ellis-island/immigration-journey> (general experience)

<http://www.nps.gov/elis/forteachers/primary-sources-for-your-classroom.htm>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5rredHTyKaQ> (video about Ellis Island experience)

8. Jewish Experience

<http://nationalhumanitiescenter.org/tserve/twenty/tkeyinfo/jewishexp.htm> (general info)

<http://www.loc.gov/exhibits/haventohome/ha1ven-century.html> (primary sources about Jewish experience)

<http://www.yale.edu/ynhti/curriculum/units/1979/2/79.02.02.x.html> (general info)

<http://www.tenement.org/> (tenement house)

<http://jwa.org/encyclopedia/article/eastern-european-immigrants-in-united-states>

<http://www.loc.gov/teachers/classroommaterials/presentationsandactivities/presentations/immigration/polish6.html>

9. Irish Immigrant Experience

<http://www.historyplace.com/worldhistory/famine/america.htm>

<http://www.loc.gov/teachers/classroommaterials/presentationsandactivities/presentations/immigration/alt/irish3.html>

<http://www.kinsella.org/history/histira.htm>

10. General info on Immigration

<http://education-portal.com/academy/lesson/immigration-in-industrial-america-and-the-rise-of-nativism.html> (video)

11. Anti-Immigration

<http://www.britannica.com/EBchecked/topic/320530/Know-Nothing-party>

<http://law.jrank.org/pages/8005/Know-Nothing-Party.html>

http://www.digitalhistory.uh.edu/disp_textbook.cfm?smtID=3&psid=301 (see bottom link for Abraham Lincoln's position)

<https://history.state.gov/milestones/1921-1936/immigration-act>