

## American Stories: Teens and Immigration

### Final Assignment Instructions

In this lesson, you have learned about the challenges and prejudice immigrants face in the United States, and how they overcome both to succeed as Americans. You will now write an essay that shares what you have learned and what you think about it. You will need a printout of your notes.

- Choose one of the topics below and **write** an essay.
- **Organize** your response so that it includes at least three supporting details that you have learned from the reading passage, videos, and other materials in this lesson.
- **Use** at least three vocabulary words (or a form of the words) as part of your supporting details.

### Essay Topics

1. Describe in your own words the kinds of challenges immigrants face. In a second paragraph, explain why they might face prejudice from people already living the United States.
2. Choose one of our four immigrants—Luincys, Fatima, Mohammed, or Michael—and write an essay that answers these questions:
  - What challenges did he or she face upon arriving in the United States?
  - What challenges does he or she still face?
  - How do you think he or she will overcome those challenges?
  - What could you do to help him or her overcome these challenges?
3. Imagine that you had to leave the United States and go to a country where you did not speak the language or understand the customs. What would you miss most about your life in the United States? What could people in your new country do to make you feel welcome?

### Vocabulary Words

immigrant  
immigration  
native  
overcome  
prejudice