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Spanish

El Norte

Activity Packet

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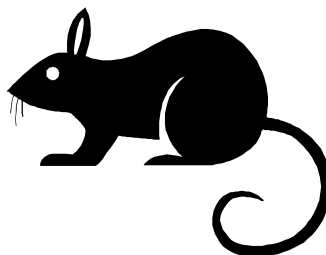
Vocabulario

el norte	the north
inmigración	immigration
matar	to kill
morir	to die
abuso	abuse
tierra	land
esconder	to hide
ilegal	illegal
enferma	sick
pobre	poor
fuerte	strong
soldado	soldier
excusado	toilet
luchar	to fight
ayudar	to help
hermano/a	brother/sister
ratón	rat
salir	to leave, to go out
trabajo	work



True or False

1. _____ Arturo's family lives in Paraguay.
2. _____ Arturo works harvesting coffee beans.
3. _____ The rich want the land that belongs to the people.
4. _____ The Guatemalan peasants believe that life is wonderful in the North because they have flush toilets and electricity.
5. _____ Arturo escapes to Mexico with his family.
6. _____ Arturo's wife is taken away.
7. _____ Rosa stays in Guatemala when Enrique goes to the North.
8. _____ To get across the border they crawl through a drain pipe.
9. _____ Enrique and Rosa encounter wild dogs while crossing the border.
10. _____ In the North, a man pays \$200 for Enrique and nothing for Rosa.
11. _____ Rosa and Enrique go to school to learn to speak English.
12. _____ Nacha and Rosa get jobs as cooks.
13. _____ Enrique gets a job as a waiter in a fancy hotel.
14. _____ Enrique and Rosa have to change jobs because the immigration officers come.
15. _____ Rosa gets sick from food she eats and dies.
16. _____ When Rosa gets sick Enrique leaves her and goes to Chicago.



Multiple Choice

1. Arturo's family lives in _____.
a. Uruguay b. Guatemala c. Spain
2. Arturo goes to a meeting about _____.
a. equal rights for peasants b. planning an escape to the North
3. Arturo believes all the rich want is their _____.
a. money b. land c. children
4. At the meeting, Arturo and his comrades get _____.
a. killed b. money c. something to eat
5. To avoid getting killed, Enrique hides in the _____.
a. canyon b. valley c. France
6. Enrique decides to go to _____.
a. Honduras b. the North c. Arizona
7. Who goes with Enrique?
a. his father b. his entire family c. his sister
8. When crawling thru the tunnel to escape they encounter _____.
a. wild dogs b. rats c. snakes
9. How much do the people in Tijuana say it will cost to take them to the North?
a. \$100 b. \$300 c. \$100,000
10. When they get to L.A. their standard of living is _____.
a. poor b. rich c. they never make it.
11. What are Enrique and Rosa afraid of?
a. immigration b. strangers c. Nacha
12. Enrique gets a job as a _____.
a. cherry picker b. bus driver c. waiter
13. What do Enrique and Rosa study?
a. English b. Spanish c. how to become a citizen
14. Rosa dies from _____.
a. influenza b. rat bites c. pneumonia





What do you know?

What do you know?	What do you want to know?	What did you learn from the video?
What is life like for the poor living in Guatemala?		
How and why do people become illegal immigrants?		
What is life like in the United States for an illegal immigrant after they arrive here?		
How does illegal immigrants being here affect the economy and why?		

Both Sides

There are always two sides to a story.

1. How did Enrique feel about his decision to go to *El Norte*? How did his decision affect his life? Is his life better or worse?

2. How did the Americans feel about the presence of illegal immigrants? What type of jobs did they offer them and how did they treat them? What was said about them being in the U.S.? How did the government officials react?





Use it in a sentence.



Use each of the following vocabulary words in a Spanish sentence.

1. inmigración

2. tierra

3. pobre

4. miedo

5. trabajo

6. ayudar

7. excusado

8. ilegal

9. norte

10. soldados

If you were Enrique...

How do you feel about what your father did and why?

Would you leave *Guatemala* and why?

What do you think about how your life is now in *America* vs. how you dreamed it would be before you left?

What could you do to improve your lifestyle now?

Why do you think it is okay for you to be in the *United States* as an illegal immigrant?



Immigration - Coming to the United States

Just because someone wants to they cannot just come and live in the United States. There are several different steps that are required and must be met before a person can become a resident of the United States. Read the information and then answer the following questions.

Go to:

<http://immigration.about.com/>

Questions

1. What are the reasons a person can move/immigrate to the United States?
2. What if a person is just visiting for six months or less, what do they need?
3. What are some types of employment-based visas?
4. What is a green card and what does it mean?

Now go <http://uscis.gov> and open the "Welcome to the United States" brochure.

Name three rights and three responsibilities you have once you become a permanent resident.



United States Citizenship

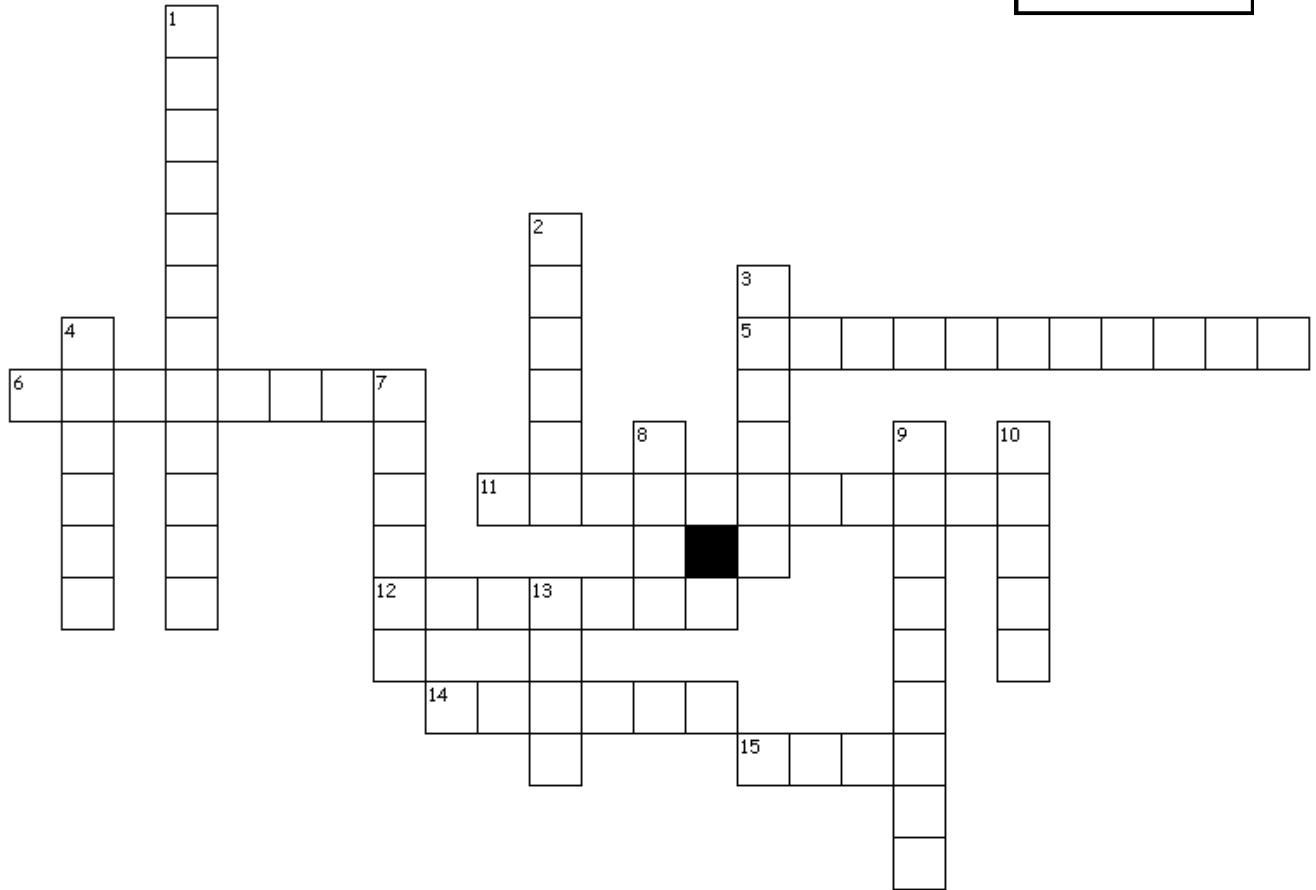
Once a person is a legal permanent resident of the United States they can begin the process of becoming a United States citizen with all its rights and privileges. There is a test that must be passed to become a citizen. See if you can answer some of these practice questions.

1. What country did we fight during the Revolutionary War?
2. How many branches of government are there and what are they?
3. For how long do we elect each Senator?
4. For how long do we elect each Representative?
5. Why are there 100 Senators in the Senate?
6. What is the executive of a state government called?
7. Who wrote the Star-Spangled Banner?
8. What did the Emancipation Proclamation do?
9. What special group advises the President?
10. What type of government does the U.S. have?
11. In what year was the Constitution written?
12. How many times may a Senator be re-elected?

This is just a sample - How did you do? Could you pass this test?



Crossword Puzzle



Across

5. In the U.S. who are Enrique, Rosa and the other workers afraid of?
6. Where is Arturo meeting the other men to discuss their inequality?
11. What do the illegal immigrants say a good job must have?
12. What do Enrique and Rosa study?
14. Where does Enrique hide from the soldiers?
15. Who goes with Enrique to the North?

Down

1. What do even the poorest have in the North?
2. Arturo said they need to teach the rich that they have souls and _____.
3. What happens to Arturo?
4. Where does the man tell Enrique to say he is from?
7. What does Arturo say they can no longer go on being?
8. What killed Rosa? A disease she got from _____.
9. Where does Arturo's family live in the beginning of the movie?
10. What is Rosa afraid Enrique will do?
13. What do the rich want from the peasants?

Answer Key

True or False

1-F, 2-T, 3-T, 4-T, 5-F, 6-T, 7-F, 8-T,
9-F, 10-F, 11-T, 12-F, 13-T, 14-T, 15-F,
16-F

Multiple Choice

1-B, 2-A, 3-B, 4-A, 5-A, 6-B, 7-C, 8-B,
9-B, 10-A, 11-A, 12-C, 13-A, 14-B

Immigration-Coming to the United States

- 1- job, join a close relative, student, start a company, invest money, humanitarian reasons
- 2- tourist visa
- 3- temporary, professional, religious, athletes, artist, government representative, employment-based green card, self-employment, persons with exceptional abilities, treaty traders and investors
- 4- given to prove residence and means they are full time residents of the U.S.

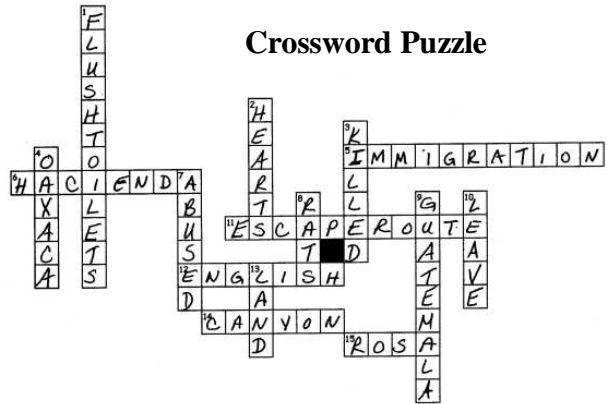
Rights and Responsibilities – many answers.

Some options:

Rights – education, apply for citizenship, join armed forces, own property, get a driver's license, work, leave and return to the U.S.

Responsibilities – obey laws, pay taxes, register with selective service, maintain immigration status, carry proof of residence with you at all times.

Crossword Puzzle



United States Citizenship

1. England
2. 3, legislative, executive, judicial
3. 6 years
4. 2 years
5. 2 from each state
6. Governor
7. Francis Scott Key
8. abolish slavery
9. cabinet
10. republic
11. 1787
12. no limits