

FACES OF AMERICA

with Henry Louis Gates Jr.

Immigrants: Past and Present
Student Organizer

You will now be exploring the experiences of immigrants who came to the United States at various points in the last 100 years. Your class has been divided into five groups, and each group has been assigned a single immigrant. Circle the immigrant your group has been assigned in the list below:

- 1) Seymour Rechtzeit from Poland
- 2) Li Keng Wong from China
- 3) Kauthar from Kenya
- 4) Virpal from India
- 5) Quynh from Vietnam

Log on to the Scholastic: Stories of Immigration website at <http://teacher.scholastic.com/activities/immigration/index.htm>, to find the area pertaining to your assigned immigrant. Seymour Rechtzeit's and Li Keng Wong's stories are buttons directly off of the main page. Kauthar, Virpal, and Quynh's can be found by clicking the button that reads "meet three kids who have arrived recently."

Examine your assigned immigrant's story, and complete the chart below. You may not be able to answer every question for your immigrant.

Questions	Your Immigrant's Story
What is your immigrant's name?	
What is your immigrant's country of origin?	
When did your immigrant come to the United States?	
Why did your immigrant (or his or her family) decide to come to the United States?	
How did your immigrant travel to the United States?	
Where did your immigrant enter the United States?	
What was different in the United States than in your immigrant's country of origin?	
What feelings or emotions did your immigrant experience when they traveled to the United States? Why?	
What other interesting facts did you learn about your immigrant's experiences?	

If you finish early, you can take the "Interactive Tour of Ellis Island" on the Scholastic website at

<http://teacher.scholastic.com/activities/immigration/tour/index.htm>.