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Lesson 4: Settling in the United States

A. Why Immigrants Come to the United States

*** immigrant – a person who comes from another place to live in a country

1. When a person moves from one country to another, they are called an

_____.

2. There are many reasons why immigrants move to the United States:

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

3. For example, Irish immigrants moved to the United States after a disease began killing the _____, an important food. People began to _____.

4. Italian immigrants moved to get away from _____ (being very poor).

5. Jewish immigrants moved because of _____ treatment.

6. Mexican immigrants moved to avoid a _____.

7. Other immigrants came to get better _____, to start _____, or find _____.

B. How Immigrants Come to the United States

1. Some immigrants from Asia and Europe came by _____.

- Ships were often _____ and _____.

2. Immigrants from Mexico sometimes _____.
3. Once getting to the United States, didn't mean they would be allowed to _____.
 - If they were _____, they might be sent back.
 - They had to say where they would _____ and _____.
4. Now many immigrants come by _____.
5. Now they must get _____ to stay even before they come.
6. It's _____ and can take a long time to happen.

C. Settling in the United States

1. Immigrants from the same _____ often settled in the same _____.
2. They started their own neighborhoods like " _____ " or " _____ ".
3. This allowed them to feel more comfortable in a new place with people speaking the same _____ and having the same _____.

D. Life for Immigrants in the United States

***** discriminate – to treat people unfairly because they belong to a different group**

1. It was _____ for immigrants to start a new life in the United States.
2. People _____ against immigrants and treated them unfairly.
 - Didn't _____ them for jobs
 - Didn't allow them to _____ in certain places
 - Treated them like _____
 - Paid them very _____ (didn't pay them a lot of money for work)

3. Today, immigrants often have jobs no one else wants that are _____ or do not pay a lot of _____.

4. However, immigrants still may have a _____ life here.

- They may have more _____.
- They may have better _____.
- They may get a better _____.

F. Becoming a U.S. Citizen

***** citizen – a person who has the right to live in a certain place**

1. Immigrants who want to live in the United States must become a U.S. _____.

2. There are two ways to become a U.S. citizen:

- By _____ = a person is born in the United States or have parents who are U.S. citizens \implies not an option for most immigrants
- Through _____ = an immigrant becomes a citizen by law

3. To become a citizen through law, immigrants have to:

- be _____
- must live in the United States for at least _____
- must pass a test on _____ history and the _____ language
OR
- _____
OR
- _____