

Reasons to Move

Read about why people immigrate today.

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1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline each reason people may immigrate. Number the reasons 1, 2, 3, and so on to show that people can move for different reasons.

Why People Immigrate Today

- ① People still move from one country to another. This is called immigration. Many people come to the United States to join family members who already live here. Being close to parents, grandparents, or brothers and sisters can be important.
- ② Some people immigrate for work. They may find a job, earn money, or learn new skills. Others move to study at a school or college. A person may also want a different place to live because it is safer or has more freedom.
- ③ Immigration happens for many reasons, and each person's story is different. People may choose more than one reason. Even after a family arrives, they can keep traditions from their old home while making a new life in their new community.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE _____ Use the passage

1 Why might a person come to the United States to join family members?

2 Name two reasons a person might immigrate for work or school.

3 What are two reasons a person might want a different place to live?

3 YOUR TURN _____ Your own words

Think of a made-up family immigrating today. Write exactly two sentences that explain two reasons the family chooses to move.

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Underline each reason people may immigrate. Number the reasons 1, 2, 3, and so on to show that people can move for different reasons. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Why might a person come to the United States to join family members?	The person may want to be close to family members who already live in the United States.
2	Name two reasons a person might immigrate for work or school.	Answers may include finding a job, earning money, learning new skills, or studying at a school or college.
3	What are two reasons a person might want a different place to live?	The person may want a place that is safer or has more freedom.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

A family moves to the United States because one parent has a job there. They also want their children to attend a school that feels safe.

Accept two complete sentences that give two reasonable reasons for immigrating today. Reasons may include family, work, school, safety, freedom, or another accurate, plausible reason.