Diffrence Between Immigrants and Refugees

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Summary:
Is there a difference between being labeled an immigrant or a refugee? Yes, there in fact is. This is not opinionated, but completely factual and can be proven in many instances such as how refugees and immigrants are talked about and treated differently in politics. Although there are struggles suffered by refugees and they experience a lot of hardships, there can be disadvantages to being labeled as an immigrant over a refugee.

Reflection:
This is important because it is an ongoing issue. 11 million United States residents are undocumented people who came to the U.S. to escape unspeakable and unimaginable horrors that have infiltrated their home lands.

Quotes from Articles:
New York Times writer Halimah Abdullah of CNN expands on her point by quoting Adam Isacon in saying, "We don't want to send people back into harm's way... but the more they expand access to asylum, the more people will feel they have a case." Hamilah explains that Isacon has a different approach to immigration than most. While she validates his opinion and even explains why he believes this, she is not in complete agreement. These people are fleeing unspeakable dangers and she states that she believes they deserve a chance like everyone else.

The New York Times says, "If a policy were implemented that afforded the same employee protections to all legal workers regardless of citizenship, I suspect that wages and benefits of immigrant workers would have to be in line with those of American workers." (gale.com) in their article named "Why Immigrants Risk Their Lives." This expands on how there can be things to help improve the immigration in the United States that benefit the immigrants.

This is our only chance. So I do it. I shove the backpacks out the window. I put one leg over the sill and climb out of the only house I've known." (Sanchez, 107)

This quote expresses a fragment of the desperation many migrants feel knowing that they need to leave their home. It also mentions Pulga's struggle to leave the only home he has known which is something most refugees can relate to.

Quotes from book:
"For the future that would have been if we didn't leave." (Sanchez, 118)

Refrencing the dangers migrants attempt to leave behind, this quote refers to how most migrants leave to try and get a better future in a better environment.

"When you're running to get on, you need to put your leg closer to the train up front. That way you don't get pulled under." (Sanchez, 124)

This is just one of the many dangers immigrants put themselves at risk for on this harsh journey. There are many dangers with taking the journey to see land, but thousands of people prove time and time again that they are willing to take it if they think there is a chance of a better life which shows how desperate they really are.

Images:
Images such as red skies relate to how Pulga viewed many skies beautifully painted, but held the color of blood. The people traveling on top of the train running symbolizes the thousands of people who travel on top of trains every year in hopes for a better life.
WHAT ARE THE STEPS TO LEGALLY BECOMING A U.S CITIZEN?

what I learned is the first thing that immigrants have to do is make the age requirement, Then they have to take a N-400 form. The immigrants also have to have some appointments and pay fees There are many other things immigrants might have to go through more processes, forms and tests. I also leaned that the process can take multiple years and even take more to get approved.

Step 1. Determine if you are already a U.S. citizen
Step 2. Determine if you are eligible to become a U.S. citizen
Step 3. Prepare your Form N-400, Application for Naturalization
Step 4. Submit your Form N-400 and pay your fees
Step 5. Go to your biometrics appointment, if applicable
Step 6. Complete the interview
Step 7. Receive a decision from USCIS on your Form N-400
Step 8. Receive a notice to take the Oath of Allegiance
Step 9. Take the Oath of Allegiance to the United States
Step 10. Understanding U.S. citizenship

This topic was important because it helps immigrants know what they have to have and the steps they are going through during the process.

- “besides Pulga says suddenly “You are not from here. You don’t have papers. “(Sanchez 210). This quote helps explain how they aren’t legal yet so they have to keep going no matter what to become legal in the U.S.

“We want to cross the river and find a way to the shelter on the other side before dark”(Sanchez 122). This quote relates to my topic question because some of the steps are the rough travel of making it to the U.S.

These photos are immigrants on there journey to the U.S. hoping to become legal I’m the U.S.
2. Pulga describes how someone was cut in half by La Bestia. This shows how dangerous the train is and how easy it is to die on the journey.

1. Pulga and Chico had to witness multiple killings and work for a gang to be able to leave their city. This reflects how dangerous the countries that immigrants are coming from. They are plagued with gangs.

La Bestia, the death train that immigrants try to ride on.

"Others have engaged in prostitution in order to pay for their passage from their countries of origin to the United States." (Kamalu)

Millions of people from South American countries attempt to get into the U.S. People need to understand why they are running and the danger they are constantly in. By spreading awareness, we can help the countries and stop the constant cycle of death.

"During his campaign Trump had vowed to carry out mass deportations of undocumented immigrants" (Smith)

The characters provide insight that wouldn’t be known from basic research. The characters show you the intense experience of someone who is traveling and/or is an illegal immigrant.