

## Family Immigration Discussion Questions

1. Who in your family tree is the most recent immigrant? Who arrived in the United States the earliest? What do you know about them and about others who immigrated?
2. How did your family come to live here? Where did your grandparents live? Great grandparents?
  - a. Why did your family move?
  - b. Did any family members stay behind?
  - c. What languages did your immigrant family members speak?
  - d. What did they do for a living before they immigrated? What jobs did they have after they arrived?
3. What world events were happening when your family members came to the United States? How might they have impacted your family's migration story?
4. How were immigrants from your family members' country of origin perceived and treated when they arrived?
5. Are there any traditions you currently keep which recall and express pride in your cultural heritage? What do they mean to you? Have any recipes been passed down to you from family members?
6. Are there any special heirlooms, photos, bibles or other memorabilia that have been passed down in your family?
7. What do you know about your family surname?
8. What stories have come down to you about your parents? Grandparents? More distant ancestors?