

Handout

Global Migration Vocabulary Terms

Directions: Use the context clues in the sentence in the first column to predict the meaning of each bolded term. Then write your definition in the center column. Leave the third column blank.¹

Sentence	Predicted Meaning	Actual Meaning
After weeks of continued bombings in their Damascus neighborhood, the Syrian refugee family fled civil war in the hope of reaching safety in Turkey.		
The LGBT youth who fled his home in Shiraz, Iran, after his father reported him to Iranian police sought asylum upon arrival in Serbia because he feared persecution if he returned home.		
In 2016, the immigrant population in the United States was 43.7 million, or about 13.5% of the total population. Three-quarters of the immigrants are in the United States legally. ²		
Barely able to afford food for her two children, the migrant mother from Honduras made the difficult decision to leave her children with relatives and make the dangerous journey to the United States in the hope of making money to send home to her family.		

¹ Adapted from Kelly Gallagher, *Deeper Reading: Comprehending Challenging Texts*, 4–12 (Portland, ME: Stenhouse Publishers, 2004), 77–78.

² Gustavo López, Kristen Bialik, and Jynnah Radford, “Key findings about U.S. immigrants,” Pew Research Center, *Fact Tank: News in the Numbers* (blog), September 14, 2018, <http://www.pewresearch.org/fact-tank/2018/09/14/key-findings-about-u-s-immigrants/>.