

TEACHER'S GUIDE

Review Questions

Part 1: Finding Home

MISSION 4: "City of Immigrants"

A NOTE TO THE EDUCATOR:

The purpose of these questions is to check the students' understanding of the action of the game and the history embedded in that action. Since the outcome of gameplay can vary depending on the choices the student makes, the answers to the questions might also vary.

Some students might learn information later than others, or not at all. If you choose to discuss students' responses as a whole group, information can be shared among all your "Lenas."

There may be more questions here than you want your students to answer in one sitting or in one evening. In that case, choose the questions you feel are most essential for their understanding of Part 1.

Feel free to copy the following pages of this activity for your students.

If you are not planning to have your students write the answers to the questions, you'll need to modify the directions.



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Name: _____

Date: _____

Directions: After you play Part 1, read and answer these questions from the point of view of your character, Lena. You may not know all the answers, so do the best you can. Write in complete sentences and proofread your work.

1) What was the trip to America like? How did Lena feel after being on the ship for seven days?

The ship was crowded, and the air smelled. Lena felt sick from the constant rocking.

2) How did the passengers know that they were close to land? What were the first things that they saw?

The passengers knew they were close to land when they saw birds. They could see the harbor and the Statue of Liberty.

3) Officers were checking the people as they arrived at Ellis Island. What were they looking for?

The officers were looking to see if people were healthy.

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4) What questions did the customs inspector ask Lena?

The inspector asked Lena her name, age, and nationality. He wanted to know if she had ever been in prison or in an alms house and if she was an anarchist. He wanted to know where she was going to live and if she had any money.

5) What happens to Lena as she is going to the waiting room? Why?

Lena faints as she is going to the waiting room. She had not had much food on the ship and she had been waiting all day.

6) What is Isaac's job?

He is a peddler. He sells things from a pushcart.

7) Why is Isaac in a hurry to get home?

He wants to get home before the Shabbos dinner starts.

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8) What happened to Lena after she left Ellis Island?

Lena gets lost in the crowd. She meets two men that want to help her. She walks through the streets of New York and finds her way to where Isaac lives.

9) What does Lena see on her way to find Isaac's house?

Lena sees tall buildings, like the Singer Building, and a Jewish cemetery.

10) On this day, you may have met the following people. Make a note or two about them next to each name. *For this question, your notes don't have to be in complete sentences.*

a. The customs inspector- *He is not friendly. He must talk to many people each day.*

b. Isaac – *He is worried about taking care of his family.*

c. Mr. Bernstein – *He is kind and is a good listener.*

d. Zev – *He is helpful and likes Lena.*