Immigrants Across the Curriculum

English/Language Arts

- Read stories about the personal experiences of immigrating to a new country
- Study interview techniques and practice listening and note taking
- Create an English vocabulary guidebook for English as a second language programs

Social Studies/History

- Conduct interviews with immigrants of different ages from the same population and compare their experiences
- Research reasons people leave specific countries and compare how this has changed over recent decades
- Learn about and document the contributions of immigrants in your community in a range of areas—social, political, cultural, and artistic

Languages

- Find words in English that have their roots in the language being studied
- Prepare lessons to tutor immigrants in English language skills
- Translate the school handbook for immigrant populations

Theater, Music, & Visual Arts

- Create collaborative theater events with people from many countries sharing talents
- Listen to world music and invite musicians from other countries into the classroom
- Explore the influence of many cultures on styles of art, architecture, and fashion

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Math

- Compare the decimal system with the metric system used in many parts of the world
- Study and chart statistics reflecting the number of immigrants in your region, where they are coming from, and their reasons for moving
- Make easy-to-use guides to money conversion for new immigrants

Physical Education

- Learn about games and approaches to exercise from different cultures
- Research athletes who are immigrants or children of immigrants who have made and continue to make contributions to sports
- Create a multilingual guide to places in your region for outdoor exercise

Computer

- Create computer-generated lessons on colloquial expressions for teen immigrants
- Research ways the Internet is used for genealogy and country of origin research
- Study language translation programs that can assist students who are learning English

Science

- Research how indigenous gardening techniques have been influenced by immigrants who bring their methods and plants
- Discuss whether or not the food pyramid is an accurate shape to depict the eating and nutrition practices of people from different countries
- Learn about folk traditions and remedies for health concerns used by immigrants from their country of origin

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