

Social Studies, Grade 8

Unit VII: Lesson C4

Essay / Chart: **Evolution of Immigration Laws**



Research immigration bills passed in the 1800s and those passed in the 1900s.

Compare how immigration was viewed in the 19th century with how it was viewed in the 20th century. Make a chart comparing immigration in each of the two centuries. Show the effects the bills had on the number of immigrants entering the United States.

Write a short essay explaining your chart and the effects of immigration laws. If you wish to extend this assignment, set up a debate about the value of these laws and any changes that should be made now.