Ellis Island

Pre-visit Activity- Vocabulary

Name: ________________________________    Date:_________________

1. **Ellis Island** – an island in New York Bay that served as the nation’s busiest immigrant inspection station from 1892 until 1954

2. **Immigrant** – a person who comes into a country to take up permanent residence

3. **Emigrant** – a person who leaves (exits) his or her own country in order to settle permanently in another country

4. **Push Factor** – something that causes a person to leave his or her home in search of a better location

5. **Pull Factor** – something that attracts people to go and live in a different place

6. **Port City** – a city on a water-way with facilities for loading and unloading ships; located near an ocean or a river

7. **Currency** – a medium of exchange; money

8. **Steerage** – the lowest level of a ship for passengers who travel at the cheapest rate

9. **Manifest** – a transport document that lists the names of the passengers for a particular voyage on a ship

10. **Famine** – an extreme and general scarcity (lack) of food in a large area

11. **Economic** – relating to, or based on the production, distribution, and consumption of goods and services; having to do with jobs and money

12. **Industrialization** – large-scale manufacturing using advanced technology

13. **Subsistence agriculture** – growing and producing only enough food to feed a family, not enough to sell for profit

14. **Social** – having to do with groups of people

15. **Political System** – the type of government a country has

16. **Persecute** – oppressive (harsh) treatment because of religious or political beliefs
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Pre-visit Activity: Vocabulary Matching

Name: _______________________________     Date: __________________

_____1. Subsistence agriculture         A. Oppressive treatment because of beliefs
_____2. Emigrant    B. Having to do with jobs and money
_____3. Manifest     C. Extreme and general lack of food
_____4. Ellis Island   D. Large-scale manufacturing
_____5. Political System    E. Something that causes a person to leave home in search of a better location
_____6. Currency    F. Something that attracts people to live in a different place
_____7. Economic    G. Located in New York Bay, it was the nation’s immigration inspection station
_____8. Industrialization   H. Having to do with groups of people
_____9. Immigrant    I. A transport document that lists the names of passengers on a ship
____10. Persecute    J. The lowest level of a ship
____11. Push Factor    K. The type of government in a country
____12. Port City L. Growing only enough food for yourself/family
____13. Famine    M. A person who comes into a country to live
____14. Steerage    N. A medium of exchange; money
____15. Pull Factor    O. A city on a waterway for loading ships
____16. Social    P. A person who leaves his/her own country in order to settle permanently in another country
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**Pre-visit Activity: Vocabulary KEY**

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