



STARK

vocabulary	dt. Bedeutung	English phrase	syn/opp
(to) argue	sich für etw. aussprechen	The senator argued for a different immigration policy.	= to call for, to support
aspiration	Bestrebung, Hoff- nung, Ehrgeiz	sb's hope to achieve sth	= ambition
(to) assimilate	(sich) anpassen, (sich) eingliedern	It is sometimes very hard for newcomers to assimi- late into the new society.	
asylum	Asyl	the protection granted by a state, for example to a political refugee	
asylum seeker	Asylsuchende*r	sb looking for protection abroad	
citizen	Staatsbürger*in	In 1971 Commonwealth citizens lost their right of abode in the UK.	
citizenship	Staatsbürger- schaft	Immigrants can apply for citizenship after five years.	
conviction (to) convince	Überzeugung überzeugen	Analysts expressed their conviction that immigrants contribute to the productivity of a country.	
deportation (to) deport	Ausweisung, Abschiebung abschieben	The deportation of illegal immigrants has been made easier.	
descendant	Nachkomme, Nachfahr*in	a person or a family member living in a later generation	≠ ancestor
desperate	verzweifelt	being in a bad or frighten- ing situation	
(to) detain	festhalten, warten lassen	The illegal immigrants were detained by the police for 24 hours.	
(to) diminish	sich verringern, abnehmen	The Native American population diminished rapidly as white settlement advanced.	= to decrease

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Ellis Island	Ellis Island	From 1892 until 1943 Ellis Island served as the main entry point for immigrants by sea to the US.	
(to) emigrate	auswandern	to leave one's country	
entry procedure	Einreise-, Auf- nahmeverfahren	Entry procedures at Ellis Island were frightening for many newcomers.	
(to) estimate	(ab-)schätzen	Experts estimate that the number of immigrants will increase.	
ferry boat	Fährschiff, Fähre	a (small) ship to transport people over a short distance	
flight (to) flee	Flucht fliehen, flüchten	the act of escaping	
founding fathers	Gründerväter	The founding fathers of the United States were the members of the American Constitutional Convention of 1787.	
freedom of worship	Religionsfreiheit, freie Religions- ausübung	From the days of the Pil- grims people have come to America in search of free- dom of worship.	
frontier	Grenze, Grenz- gebiet	the line or area separating two countries US: borderline between civilisation and wilderness	= border
gateway	Tor	Ellis Island was the gateway to the US.	
green card	Aufenthalts- erlaubnis	a permit allowing a foreign national to live and work permanently in the US	

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homeland	Heimatland	Many Jamaicans left their homeland because they couldn't find any work.	= native country
immigrant	Einwanderer/ Einwanderin	Numerous immigrants came to the USA in search of liberty.	≠emigrant
immigration act	Einwanderungs- gesetz	An immigration act was passed to reduce the number of people who wanted to live and work in the UK.	= bill, law
immigration quota	Einwanderungs- quote	From 1924 to 1968 immigration to the US was regulated according to an immigration quota system.	
indignation	Entrüstung	angry criticism, often ex- pressed because of unfair treatment	
ineligible	nicht berechtigt, ungeeignet	Political activists were declared ineligible for immigration.	= unsuitable, unfit
influx	Zustrom	Many British politicians tried to stop the influx of people from Common- wealth countries.	= inflow
interpreter	Dolmetscher*in	Most immigrants needed the help of an interpreter to understand the questions of the immigration officers.	
(to) intimidate	einschüchtern	Sweatshop employers often intimidated their illegal workers.	= to scare, to frighten
(to) invigorate	stärken	The contributions of the immigrants invigorated the nation's life.	= to strengthen, to reinforce, to intensify

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landmark	Wahrzeichen	The Statue of Liberty is one of New York's famous landmarks.	
(to) line up	sich anstellen	to stand and wait in a queue	
low-status job	Arbeit mit gerin- gem Ansehen, niedere Arbeit	When immigrants first arrived they often had to accept low-status jobs.	
(to) lure	anlocken	Adventurers were lured to the US because of the open unexplored wilder- ness of the country.	
melting pot	Schmelztiegel	Americans have always believed that their country was a melting pot of nations.	
migrant worker	Wander- arbeiter*in, Gastarbeiter*in	a worker who travels to wherever he/she can find work	
migration (to) migrate	(Völker-)Wande- rung, Migration (ab-, aus-)	Sociologists study migra- tion to analyse the effects it has on the social struc-	
(to) migrate	wandern	ture.	
native	einheimisch	The Maori are the native population of New Zealand.	= indigenous
native language	Muttersprache	A lot of Hispanic immi- grants want to preserve their native language and speak Spanish to their children.	= mother tongue
(to) naturalise naturalisation	einbürgern Einbürgerung	to give a foreigner the citizenship of a country	
newcomer	Neuankömmling	a person who has recently arrived	

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nightmare	Albtraum	an unpleasant and terrible dream	
ordeal	schwere Prüfung, Qual, Tortur	For many immigrants the examinations at Ellis Island were an ordeal.	
outlaw	Geächtete*r, Bandit*in	a person who has broken the law	
penniless	mittellos, ohne Geld	Illegal and undocumented immigrants from Mexico arrived in the States completely penniless.	
(to) persecute	verfolgen	Racists persecute a minority out of prejudice, hatred or envy.	
pledge	Versprechen, Gelöbnis	a formal promise	
prejudiced	voreingenommen	Some older immigrants were prejudiced against the newcomers from Eastern Europe.	= biased
prospect	Aussicht	The immigrant had the prospect of earning a living for herself and her family.	= chance, expectation, hope
(to) provide	zur Verfügung stellen	Some migrants have their own businesses and provide employment.	= to give, to offer
refuge	Zuflucht	a safe place which protects from danger or trouble	= shelter
refugee	Flüchtling, Geflüchtete*r	a person who has had to leave his/her country or home, because of a war or for political or religious reasons	
relative	Verwandte*r	a member of one's family	