

TOPIC Compare/Contrasting the Immigration issue and policies of the EU and US

I.Objective: To have students Analyze the similarities and differences between the dynamics of Immigration between the European Union and the United States.

II. Materials: **A.** Computer
B. Venn Diagram copy

III. Goal: Building student research skills

IV. Activity:

A. Bellringer Activity: Students are to watch a short video from Euronews on Youtube- *Immigration: how do the US and EU compare?*- for an Introduction.

B. Classroom Discussion and introduction. topic with students and ask the following essential questions: 1.What is the fundamental difference between US and EU immigration policy (see Bellringer) ?

2. Where are the immigrants arriving from (both the US and EU)?

3. Why are these people immigrating (economic or refugee)?

4. What is the attitude of Native European and US citizens toward immigrants? (xenophobia, racism)

5 Does economic and/or foreign policy play a role in immigration?

C. Students are to breakout in groups and research topics while discussing the similarities and differences between the EU and US. Students will also discuss and lay a groundwork for contemplating a **Solution for the immigration issue.** (next lesson)

D. Model a Venn Diagram with students. Afterward, a Venn Diagram will be given to the students for them to begin and possibly complete..

V: Exit Activity:

Questions and comments”Opportunity for teacher to share experience or opinions.

VI Reference: Website article-”How European and U.S. unauthorized immigrant populations compare”

<https://www.pewresearch.org/short-reads/2019/11/13/how-european-and-u-s-unauthorized-immigrant-populations-compare/>

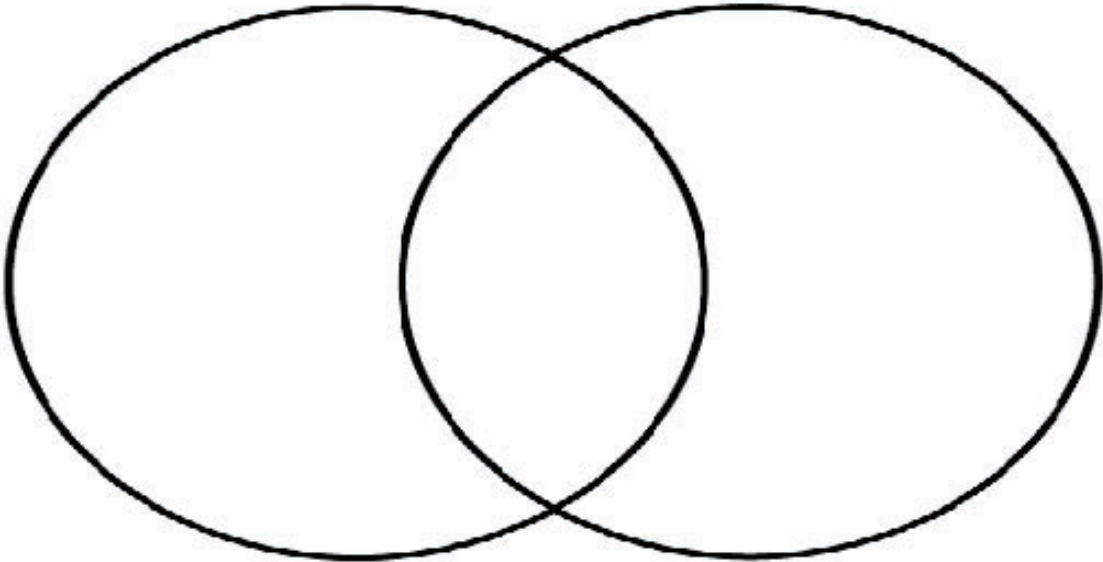
Assignment: Complete Venn Diagram, If not completed during class-complete for Homework. On a separate paper, answer what conclusions were formulated by the

particular group of students drawn from the essential questions. Collect as a group project.

VENN DIAGRAM EXAMPLE

Name: _____ Date: _____ Period: _____

VENN DIAGRAM (2 Circle)



Immigration and Racism in the EU and US

Compare and contrast the issues





Please watch!!

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Oa1rYCyTdVM&pp=ygUnaW1taWdyYXRpb24uLi5ob3cgdGhIEVVIGFuZCBVUyBjb21wYXJl>

Essential Question

What are the fundamental differences and similarities of racism and immigration in the EU and US?





Immigration to the EU-Who and Where

- Where are the majority of EU immigrants arriving?
- Most immigrants are arriving from the Middle East, North & Sub Saharan Africa ,and S. Asia.
- Assignment: Please locate these three areas on the map
- Questions: Why is Europe receiving migrants from these areas of the world?- i.e. What is the driving force behind the immigration?



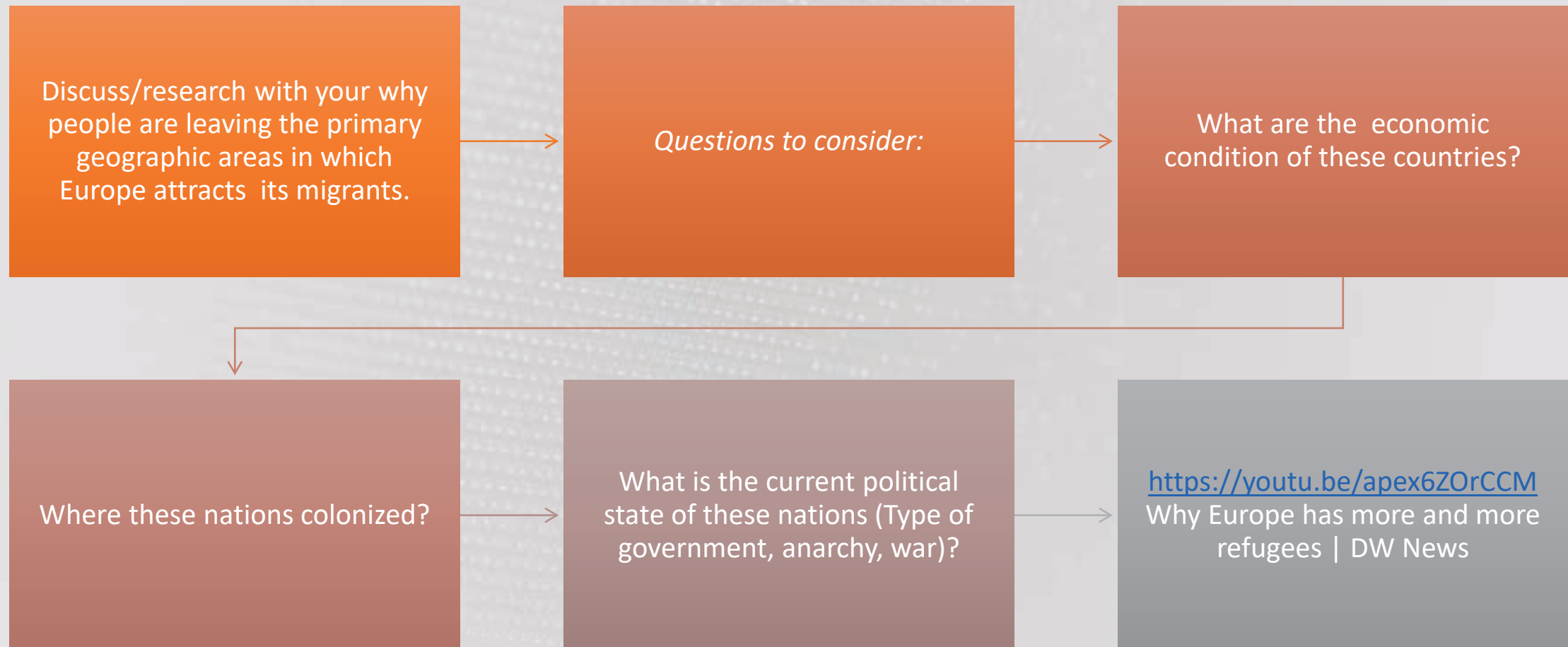
Immigration to the US-Who and Where

- Most immigrants are arriving to the U.S. are from where?
- Central America, Caribbean, South America
- Assignment: Please locate these three areas on the map
- Questions: Why is the U.S receiving migrants from these areas of the world?- i.e. What is the driving force behind the immigration?



Complete Handout

Why are these Migrants arriving in the EU nations?



Why are these Migrants arriving in the U.S.

Discuss/research with your why people are leaving the primary geographic areas in which U.S. attracts its migrants.

Questions to consider:

What are the economic condition of these countries?

Where these nations colonized?

What is the current political state of these nations (Type of government, anarchy, war)?

<https://youtu.be/IA-fzMSpTGs> “Why are Migrants coming to the US”

Please list the reasons for both the EU and US.

Attitudes toward the immigrant in the EU and US

- History Discussion with teacher
- EU: Large scale Immigration has not been historically connected with Europe.
- US: Immigration (voluntary and involuntary) has been fundamental in the establishment and sustainment of the U.S.
- *Questions to consider:*
- When did immigration to Europe begin to increase historically?
- How has immigration molded the U.S socially.?
- What part does race factor in with both the EU and US especially in the case where people originate. Why?



What role does foreign policy play?

- Current foreign policy and immigration...
- Oil, Israel and Palestine, Islamophobia and Relations with the west.
- U.S. hegemony and migration from Latin America and the Caribbean



What is being done?

- European Commission against Racism and Intolerance
- European Network Against Racism
- Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (UN)
- EU Immigration Portal - European Commission
- Immigration and Naturalization Service
- NAACP, Urban League, BLM
- Various polices, laws and charities



U.S. Citizenship and

Create Venn Diagram/ Poster

- Venn Diagram to compare and contrast the two regions.
- How does immigration affect political and social policies in both the EU and US.
- Poster should include:
 - Immigration map
 - Venn Diagram
- Synopsis and conclusions drawn from research about immigration and racism and how it affects

Conclusion

- Present findings in class.

