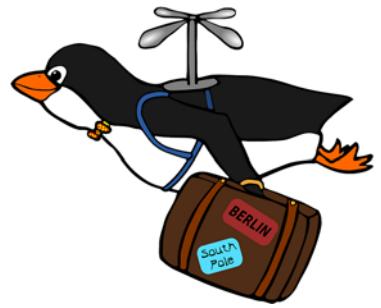


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Open Or Closed

Directions: Write a well-supported opinion paragraph about how U.S. immigration policies should balance security and opportunity. Use at least one historical example from the Ellis Island era or later immigration laws to support your view.



Writing Prompt

For more than a century, immigrants have come to the United States seeking safety, freedom, and opportunity. At the same time, the government creates rules to protect the country and control how many people can enter. Some people argue that the U.S. should welcome more immigrants because it helps the nation grow. Others believe stricter limits are needed for safety and fairness.

Take a clear position:

Should immigration policies make it easier for more people to enter, or should they be more restrictive? Explain your opinion and connect it to history.

Write 6-8 complete sentences in the space below.