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immigrants themselves.

Some of the immigrants presented here

hoped to gain better education and jobs. Others - refugees - fled their homelands because of war, poverty, repression, religious persecution, or ethnic discrimination. All dreamt of fre