

Ellis Island Webquest

*For use with Scholastic's
Ellis Island Interactive Website

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Name: _____



1. Label the numbered areas from the map on the website. Describe what happens in each place. The first example is finished for you.

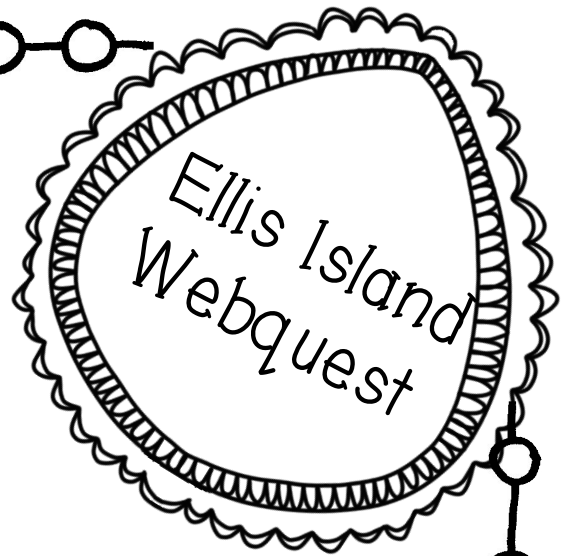


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<u>Area #</u>	<u>Area Name</u>	<u>Area Activity</u>
3	<i>Baggage Room</i>	<i>Check and store possessions</i>
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2. Name two countries or areas where immigrants came from.

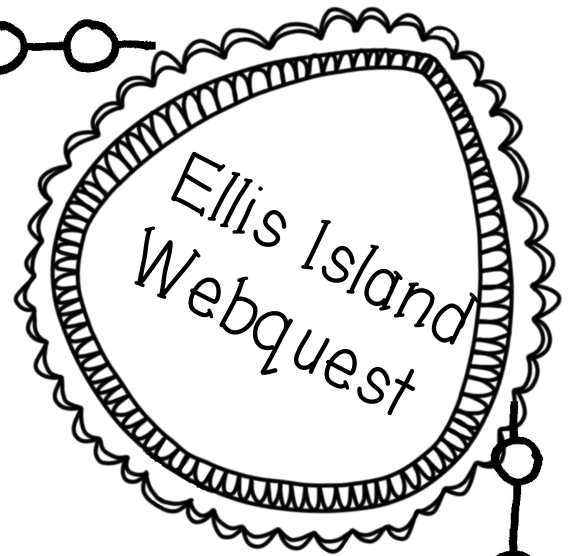
3. Why were they leaving?



4. Why were passengers separated into different areas on the steamships? What was different about the areas?



5. What was one thing the passengers did for fun? (hint: check the photographs!)



6. The Statue of Liberty was dedicated in the year _____.

7. What was the Statue of Liberty a symbol of?

8. Describe what an immigrant may have felt when looking at the statue for the first time.



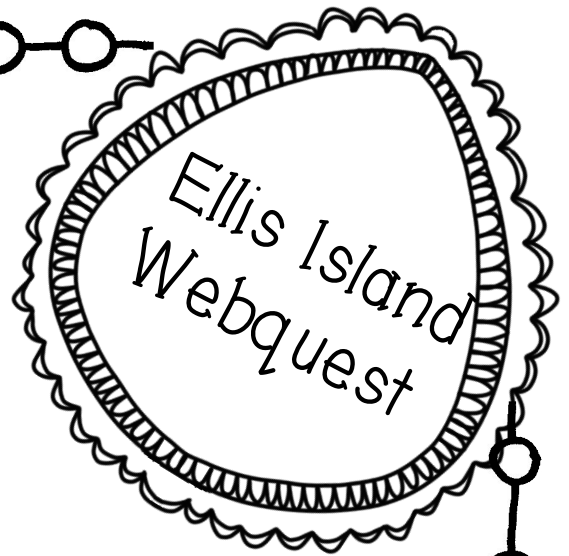
9. Why were the immigrants assigned numbers by Ellis Island officials?

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10. After receiving a number, where was the immigrants' first stop and what did they leave there?

11. Look at the photographs. What do you think the immigrants have in their bags and bundles? Why did they pack those items?





12. How long did the immigration process usually take?

13. What was the Registry Room's nickname?

14. What were two reasons an official would use to send an immigrant home? (hint: Click in the "Did You Know?" box.)



15. Why do you think doctor's only gave a 6-second-exam?

16. Why was immigrant health so important to officials?

17. How many people were sent away due to illness?

18. What is one question asked during the legal inspection?

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19. Why did officials want to know the answer to these questions?

20. Why did some people think of Ellis Island as the Isle of Tears instead of the Isle of Hope?





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21. If someone was detained, how long could it take officials to decide what to do with their application?

22. Where did the detainees stay while they waited?

23. How did those immigrants who were refused entry travel back to their home country?



24. If an immigrant was granted entry he or she traveled down the Stairs of Separation. Why was there a place downstairs called The Kissing Post?

How did families already in America know to meet their loved ones at Ellis Island?



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