

Stories of Immigration

Auch, Mary Jane *Ashes of roses.*

Sixteen-year-old Margaret Rose Nolan, newly arrived from Ireland, finds work at New York City's Triangle Shirtwaist Factory shortly before the 1911 fire in which 146 employees died.

Bartone, Elisa *Peppe the lamplighter*

Peppe's father is upset when he learns that Peppe has taken a job lighting the gas street lamps in his New York City neighborhood.

Illustrated Fiction—Easy to Read!

Bonham, Frank *Viva Chicano.*

Keeny, a Mexican-American on parole, feels he must not return to the atmosphere of his home and neighborhood and devises a solution to the problem

Cisneros, Sandra *The House on Mango Street*

A series of related short stories about a young girl growing up in the Latino section of Chicago.

Chin, Frank *Donald Duk: a novel*

On the eve of the Chinese New Year in San Francisco's Chinatown, twelve-year-old Donald Duk attempts to deal with his comical name and his feelings for his cultural heritage.

Cohen, Barbara *Molly's pilgrim*

Told to make a doll of a pilgrim for Thanksgiving, Molly's is embarrassed when her mother creates a doll that looks like she did when she left Russia for religious freedom. **Illustrated Fiction. Easy to read!**

Galarza, Ernesto *Barrio boy*

A personal account of a young boy's migration from his rural town in Mexico to Sacramento and his learning of the American culture through school.

Gündisch, Karin *How I became an American*

In 1902, ten-year-old Johann and his family, Germans who had been living in Austria-Hungary, board a ship to immigrate to Youngstown, Ohio, where they make a new life as Americans.

Jiménez, Francisco *The circuit: stories from the life of a migrant child*

Explores a migrant family's experience moving through labor camps and facing poverty. Discusses how they endure through faith hope and back breaking labor.

Lee, Gus *China boy*

An American born son of a Chinese aristocrat family struggles with uncertainty of growing up torn between two cultures.

Martinez, Victor *Parrot in the oven: mi vida : a novel*

Manny relates his coming of age experiences as a member of a poor Mexican American family in which the alcoholic father only adds to everyone's struggle.

Na, An *A step from heaven*

A young Korean girl and her family find it difficult to learn English and adjust to life in America.

Ryan, Pam Muñoz *Esperanza rising*

Esperanza and her mother are forced to leave their life of wealth and privilege in Mexico to go work in the labor camps of Southern California, where they must adapt to the harsh circumstances facing Mexican farm workers on the eve of the Great Depression.

Yep, Laurence *Dragonwings*

In the early twentieth century a young Chinese boy joins his father in San Francisco and helps him realize his dream of making a flying machine