

Norfolk- A County of Welcome



Lesson Plan-Classroom

What contribution have refugees made to the history of Norfolk?

Key Stage: 2

Type: Classroom Length 1 ½ hours

Curriculum links: Citizenship, History Key Themes: Refugees, Local History

Learning Objectives:

• Understand which groups have taken refuge in the county, and what they have brought to the local area.

- Discover the main reasons refugees leave their home countries.
- Find out how many refugees have created new and successful lives for themselves, including Jewish refugee Lewis Ecker and his family.
- Understand the difficulties in refugees might have in deciding what to take with them when fleeing a country.

Time	Activity	Details	Resources	
20 mins	Refugee Indenture Game	Look at what an indenture is. Try and match up the questions and answers about which groups have arrived in Norfolk and what their contribution to the country has been. Read out the answers to the rest of the class.	Refugee indenture game	Individual

20 mins	Refugee Timeline	Look at the timeline.	Timeline, cards	Pairs
		Explain that it shows international and national events on the top and local events on the bottom. Explain that the different colours show different conflicts.		
		Ask the pupils to place the cards at the correct point in the timeline.		
		Ask the pupils to answer the questions on why certain groups have fled their home countries.		
10 mins	Lewis Ecker, 19 century Jewish Refugee, and his family	Explain to the pupils the story of Lewis Ecker and his family. How we know what happened when he arrived in Norwich.	Ppt of Lewis Ecker	Class
40 mins	Packing a suitcase	Give the pupils a box of items and a suitcase. Ask them to imagine they are Lewis Ecker and his family, and to choose 7 of the items to take with them when fleeing the country.	Box of items, suitcases, clipboards, worksheet, pencils	Small groups/ Class
		Ask them to think of something else that might also be useful if they were to flee today.		
		Go round the class asking the groups what they put and create a tally chart on the white board.		
5 mins	Evaluation	Pupils to write what they have learnt during the session on a post-it note	Post-it notes, pencils	Individual