

Esperanza Rising Immigration Worksheet

Student Name	Date
Before you make you lists, answer the following questions:	
Why is Ramona opposed to marrying Tío Luis?	
• Why must Abuelita, Esperanza's grandmother, be left behind?	
What do Esperanza and her mother and their friends take with them	on their journey?
• What is the hardest part of the journey for Esperanza?	
• What food do they eat and where do they get their food?	
• How far do they travel and how many days does the trip take?	
• What would it be like traveling such a great distance by train?	
• Who are some of the other passengers they meet on the train?	
• How does Esperanza react to the strangers she meets?	

Now complete the chart on the following page.

After answering the questions above, complete this chart:

Reasons to Stay in Aguascalientes	Reasons to Go to California
1.	1.
2.	2.
3.	3.
4.	4.
5.	5.
6.	6.
7.	7.
8.	8.
9.	9.