Island of Hope, Island of Tears
A Story of Ellis Island and the American Immigration Experience

1. Why did immigrants from Europe want to come to America?

2. Describe the travel conditions for traveling immigrants.

3. Where did passengers from steerage have to go once they were in America?

4. What sort of possessions did the immigrants bring with them to America?

5. Why were new immigrants distrustful of the United States government?

6. At times, chalk marks were placed on immigrants' jackets. What did this signify?

7. Ellis Island provided services to immigrants other than their entry into the country. What were they?