

BRANCHES 4-5

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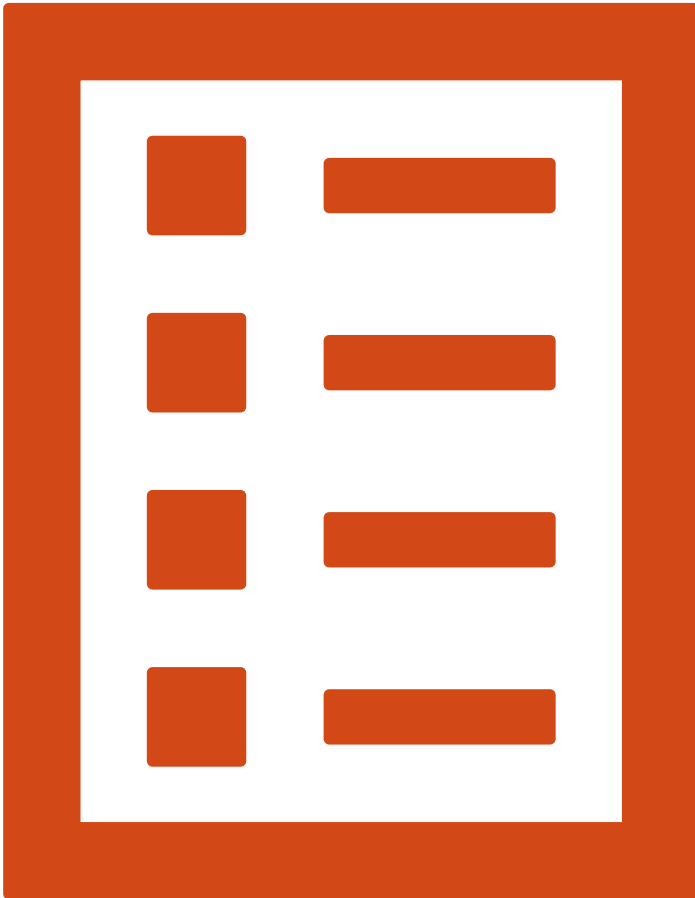


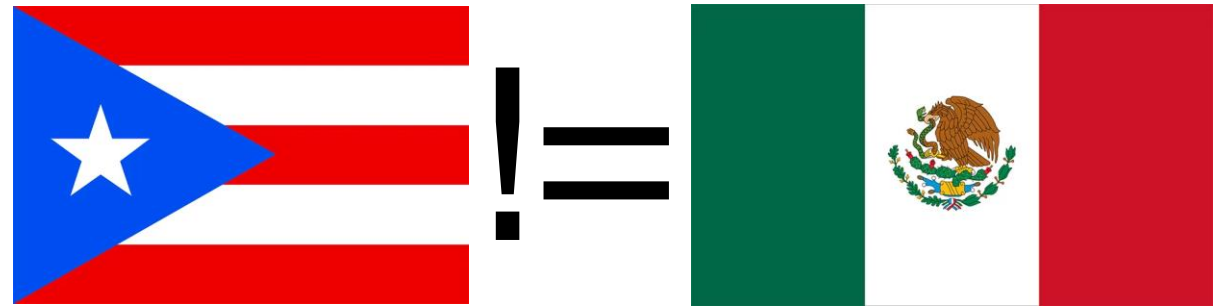
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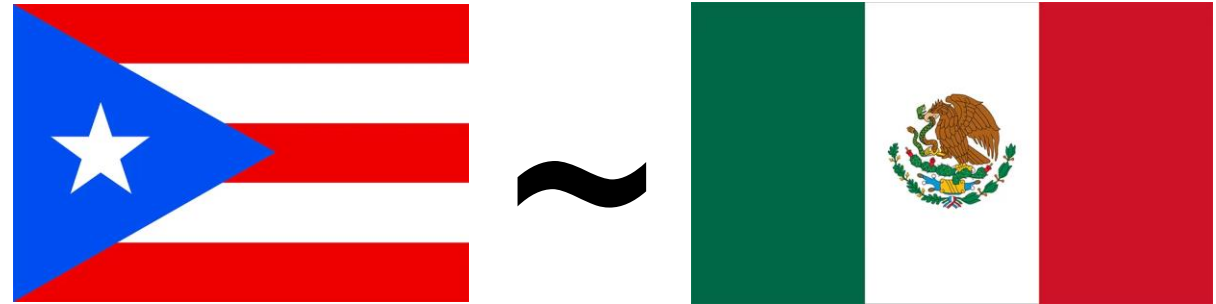
BRIEF HISTORY OF PUERTO RICAN MIGRATION

- Anytime we see a brown person they are automatically Mexican.
- Puerto Ricans migrated in mass numbers in the 1940s and even till today
- Puerto Ricans arrive to the United States as citizens
- The importance of 2017



EARLY LIFE IN THE BARRIO

- “The contradiction of being at once citizens and foreigners, when joined with the reality that ours was a racially mixed population, has made the Puerto Rican migrant experience in America profoundly schizophrenic.”



THE SECOND GENERATION



- "The second generation that Puerto Rico was as capable of being a prosperous independent nation as Israel or Taiwan or Switzerland, but that its history has been suppressed to encourage a sense of dependence among Puerto Ricans." - Gonzalez, 108



WHY IS THIS QUOTE IMPORTANT?

- When it comes to social identity, it's easy to forget who we are if we are forced too, especially with bigger powers at hand. We'll be shaped into molds for those in power, to fit their agenda. This is a prime example of how Puerto Ricans were forced from the very beginning to fit into American idealism. Whether that's through education with migrant kids changing their names, to full on segregation, placing those with lighter or darker skin into Black and White groups, both figuratively and literally. Despite it though, from this quote, if we learn where we come from and more of our social identity, not only do we figure out more of ourselves, but the main cause of what's stopping us in the first place.



MEXICAN CONTRIBUTION TO AMERICA



- “No Hispanic group has contributed more to the nation's prosperity than Mexicans. Yet none makes white America more uneasy about the future”. Gonzalez, 108





WHY IS THIS QUOTE IMPORTANT

- Mexicans have been labeled as job stealers by many people through the years. Some people can argue that the homeless population has went up since more and more Mexicans are crossing the border to get a better life for them and their families. But this isn't true since Mexicans are doing the jobs that no American wants to do like working in the fields, in construction and house cleaning. Many Mexicans sacrifice their lives every year going through the El Rio bravo which Is a river in the north of Mexico which has taken the lives of many Mexicans and the desert which many Mexicans die of due to dehydration sometimes being left to survive on their own by coyotes which are people that help immigrants cross the border, and that sometimes rip off many people by abandoning them in the desert. Throughout the years Mexicans were labeled as workers that would work for long hours and have poor wages and still to this day that continues to happen.



MEXICAN-AMERICAN IDENTITY CRISIS



- “Mexican Americans, meanwhile, face a frustrating identity problem similar to Puerto Ricans. They are both native-born and immigrants, pioneers and aliens, patriots and rebels; no matter how far back some may trace their ancestry on our soil, they are still battling to emerge from the obscure margins of official U.S. history, still clamoring to be fully recognized and understood...”
Gonzalez, 174



WHY IS THIS QUOTE IMPORTANT?

- **Happening during Jim Crow laws**
- **Nowhere to fit in**
- **American idealism**
- **Disconnection with culture**

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS



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- What did you find interesting about these chapters compared to the history you've learned in the American public school system?



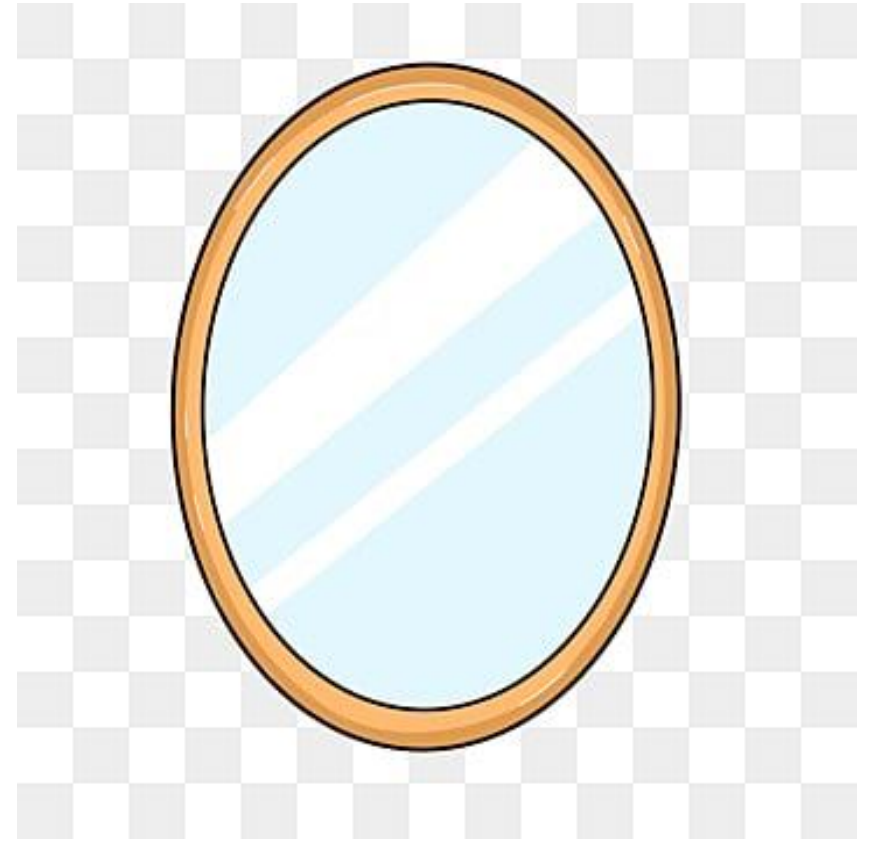
DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Whether or not you could relate to Gonzalez's battles, did reading about them inspire you to want to inflict change? In your community, in the country, worldwide?



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Have you ever felt like you've been molded or shaped into someone you're not? Did you realize at the time? Was it willingly?



GROUP KAHOOT ACTIVITY

- <https://create.kahoot.it/share/rubens-kahoot/6fad12a8-f04f-4f2f-a0ff-ddf3a165c8fb>

