

## 32 I can talk about migration

### A People on the move

Word	Example	Meaning
<b>flee (from) sth/sb</b>	<i>We saw long queues of people <b>fleeing</b> the war.</i>	escape from a dangerous situation, place, or person very quickly.
<b>refugee</b>	<i>Many <b>refugees</b> have crossed the border to escape the war.</i>	a person who is forced to leave their country for political/religious reasons.
<b>seek/take refuge (from sth/sb)</b>	<i>The men had to <b>take refuge</b> in the French embassy.</i>	find shelter or protection from trouble or danger.
<b>(political) asylum</b>	<i>The numbers seeking <b>asylum</b> have increased recently.</i>	the protection a country gives to a refugee ( <b>seek asylum, apply for asylum</b> ).
<b>ethnic minority ethnic group</b>	<i><b>Ethnic minorities</b> make up almost 10 per cent of the town's population.</i>	a group of people with the same culture or race living in a place where most people are of a different culture/race.
<b>be uprooted</b>	<i>Following the flooding, many villagers <b>were uprooted</b>.</i>	be made to leave the place where you live and go somewhere else.
<b>discrimination discriminate v</b>	<i>He had become a victim of racial <b>discrimination</b>.</i>	the practice of treating a person or group in society less fairly than others.
<b>deport sb deportation n</b>	<i>Foreigners may be <b>deported</b> if they enter the country illegally.</i>	force sb to leave a country, often because they have no right to be there.
<b>prejudice (against sb/sth) prejudiced adj</b>	<i>There is no <b>prejudice against</b> people from the ethnic community.</i>	an opinion about sb/sth that is not based on reason or experience, especially a dislike based on race, religion, etc.

#### 1 Circle the correct word(s). Both words may be correct.

- In 2001, over 250,000 people **deported** / **emigrated** to Canada.
- Most refugees who **seek** / **apply** asylum do so in a country neighbouring their own.
- The villagers took **refugee** / **refuge** in the nearby towns.
- The council are seeking the opinions of members of the **economic** / **ethnic** minority.
- People **fled** / **flew** in terror to escape the flood.
- Ignorance is often behind the **prejudice** / **prejudiced** against the incoming economic **migrants** / **emigration**.
- Women and children were forced to **seek** / **take** refuge in the local church.

#### spotlight migration

**Migration** is the movement of people or animals from one place to another. More specifically, **immigration** is the process of coming to live in a country that is not your own (people are **immigrants**). The opposite process of going to live in another country is **emigration** (**emigrate** v; people are **emigrants**). People who move abroad to find a better job are often called **economic migrants**.

#### 2 One word is missing in each line. What is it, and where does it go?

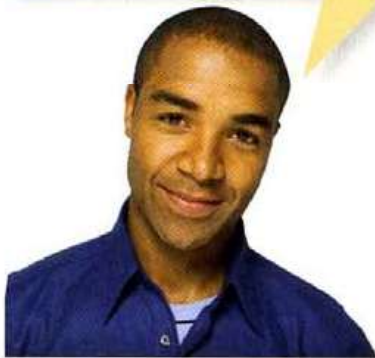
- There's no limit on the number of people granted political in this country. \_\_\_\_\_
- Racial and sexual is against the law in matters of employment. \_\_\_\_\_
- Economic to richer countries has existed for centuries. \_\_\_\_\_
- There's been a rise in the of illegal workers back to their home countries. \_\_\_\_\_
- Nearly half a million people were forced to their homes during the civil war, \_\_\_\_\_ and many of them refuge in the mountains, away from the fighting. \_\_\_\_\_
- Many families uprooted against their will to make way for the new road. \_\_\_\_\_





## B Migration: a personal experience

Moving from my **native** country was a huge **culture shock**. There was a lot I had to **get accustomed** to – not least the food! But I didn't suffer the prejudice or **animosity** that some migrants complain of. People have accepted me for what I am, including my religious **faith**; they've seen beyond the **stereotype**. And for my part, I recognize the need for **integration** in order to be able to **live at peace with** my neighbours. I still have feelings of **nostalgia** for the place where I grew up, but this is home now, and I have no **desire** to go back.



### Glossary

native	connected with the place where you were born and lived for the first years of your life ( <b>native country/land/city</b> ).
culture shock	a feeling of confusion and anxiety often felt by people staying in another country.
animosity (towards sb)	a feeling of anger or hatred. <b>syn</b> hostility.
faith	a strong belief in sth (this is often a <b>religious faith</b> ).
stereotype	a fixed idea of what a particular type of person or thing is like, but which is often not true in reality. <b>stereotypical</b> <b>adj</b> .
integration	the process of becoming a full member of a group or society. <b>integrate (into sth)</b> .
live at peace with sb	live without quarrelling with others.
nostalgia	a feeling of sadness mixed with pleasure when you think of happy times in the past. <b>nostalgic</b> <b>adj</b> .
desire	a strong wish ( <b>have no desire to do sth</b> ).

### spotlight Getting used to things

If you **get accustomed to (doing) sth**, or **get used to (doing) it**, you become familiar with it and accept it as normal. If you **get acclimatized (to sth)**, you become familiar with a new climate or situation. If you **get the hang of sth** **inf**, you learn how to do, use, or understand something.

### 3 Cross out the word which is wrong. Write the correct word at the end.

- Why is there so much animosity for politicians here? \_\_\_\_\_
- I couldn't stop sweating at first, but now I'm starting to get acclimated. \_\_\_\_\_
- Do you have feelings of nostalgic about your childhood? \_\_\_\_\_
- He doesn't fit the stereoscope of a typical 30-year-old businessman. \_\_\_\_\_
- The government policy is to aid newcomers' integrity into society. \_\_\_\_\_
- I'm a natural New Yorker; in fact, I've never lived anywhere else. \_\_\_\_\_

### 4 Complete the dialogue.

- A Amy, when you first emigrated, what kinds of things did you have to get (1) \_\_\_\_\_ to?
- B The main thing was the climate! But seriously, in my (2) \_\_\_\_\_ country, many people no longer have a strong religious (3) \_\_\_\_\_, whereas here, religion is at the heart of people's lives, so that added to my sense of culture (4) \_\_\_\_\_. I discovered that people had a (5) \_\_\_\_\_ view of how Western women behave, as they seemed surprised when they got to know me. I dressed appropriately and behaved sensitively, as I had no (6) \_\_\_\_\_ to alienate people. Ultimately I was keen to (7) \_\_\_\_\_ into society as best I could. And to be truthful, I've never felt any (8) \_\_\_\_\_ towards me. People here just want to live at (9) \_\_\_\_\_ with each other, as I do. Actually, the worst thing was the transport system – it took me ages to get the (10) \_\_\_\_\_ of it!

