

Essay Prompts on Immigration

Identity and Belonging:

How do literary texts portray the struggle for identity and belonging among immigrants?

Generational Perspectives

In immigrant literature, the first and second generations often experience immigration differently.

Language and Power

Language often represents both a barrier and a bridge in immigrant literature. Analyze how language (or the lack of fluency) functions symbolically.

Exile vs. Immigration

Some immigrant writers frame migration as exile—forced departure, loss, or displacement—while others frame it as opportunity. Examine how the circumstances of departure shape the immigrant experience.