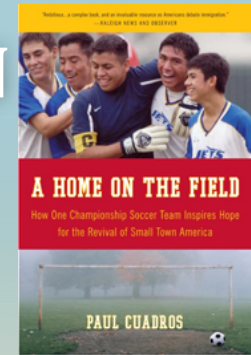


# LEARNING ABOUT IMMIGRATION IN NORTH CAROLINA WITH “A HOME ON THE FIELD”



Power Point accompaniment for the Consortium’s lesson, “Who Can Dream the American Dream? An Introduction to “A Home on the Field”, located in the Database of K-12 resources.

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What comes to mind...?

# IMMIGRATION

A faint, light blue map of South America is visible in the background. It shows the outlines of countries like Colombia, Venezuela, Ecuador, Peru, and Brazil, along with major cities and geographical features like the Amazon river and the Andes mountains. The map is oriented with North at the top.

**Immigrants take jobs  
away from US citizens.**

**TRUE**



**FALSE**



# What message is the author trying to convey?

- “America spoke with its stomach and it wanted its tomatoes picked, its cucumbers gathered, its organs harvested, its blueberries busheled, its hamburger ground, its pork processed, its Thanksgiving Day turkeys slaughtered, its Christmas trees cut, and its chicken butchered, and it didn’t much care how that was done as long as the people who brought its food were kept invisible and cheap.” (*A Home on the Field*, p. 56)
- “Americans never really understood where their food or other agricultural products like Christmas trees came from. If they fully grasped the work, the sweat, the long hours for little pay, the cold that the workers endured during the hard winter months in the mountains of North Carolina, they might begin to view their Christmas mornings differently.” (*A Home on the Field*, p. 100)

**Immigration is at an all-time high, and most new immigrants came illegally.**

**TRUE**



**FALSE**



**Today's Immigrants are not  
integrating into American  
life like past waves did.**

**TRUE**



**FALSE**



**Immigrants come here for  
welfare and thus put a strain  
on America's economy and  
resources**

**TRUE**



**FALSE**



# Immigrants don't pay taxes

**TRUE**



**FALSE**





**Immigrants are often  
recruited to come here by  
American companies**

**TRUE**



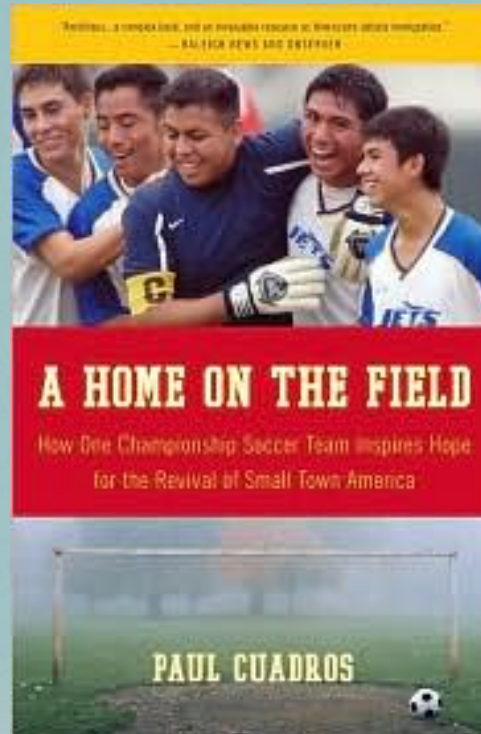
**FALSE**



# What message is the author trying to convey?

- “Big business had invited them to come and work – in many cases, it had transported them, provided them housing, and given them jobs that others...didn’t want. This is something that anti-immigrant advocates refused to admit. Many workers, whether undocumented or documented, had been invited by America’s most influential and best representative – Corporate America. It was business that decided that it needed a more pliable and cheaper labor force, and it went out and got it despite, or encouraged by, Washington’s lack of official immigration policy.” (Source: *A Home on the Field*, by Paul Cuadros, p. 44)
- “Companies needed a compliant and pliable labor force that could endure the grueling conditions of plants and that wouldn’t complain of conditions, wages, or want to unionize. They found their labor force in the Latin American worker and began recruiting Latino workers along the border and in Mexico. Some companies even provided transportation and promised housing if they came to the Midwest or Southeast to work in their plants.” (Source: *A Home on the Field*, by Paul Cuadros, p. viii)

# A Home on the Field, by Paul Cuadros



How One Championship Soccer Team Inspires Hope for  
the Revival of Small Town America

# HISTORICAL REASONS FOR IMMIGRATION?









## The New Colossus

Not like the brazen giant of Greek fame,  
With conquering limbs astride from land to land;  
Here at our sea-washed, sunset gates shall stand  
A mighty woman with a torch, whose flame  
Is the imprisoned lightning, and her name  
Mother of Exiles. From her beacon-hand  
Glow world-wide welcome; her mild eyes command  
The air-bridged harbor that twin cities frame.  
"Keep ancient lands, your storied pomp!" cries she  
With silent lips. "Give me your tired, your poor,  
Your huddled masses yearning to breathe free,  
The wretched refuse of your teeming shore.  
Send these, the homeless, tempest-tost to me,  
I lift my lamp beside the golden door!"

# “The American Dream”

- What comes to mind when you consider this phrase? What is the American Dream?
- Who has access/should have access to the American Dream?
- What does your quote say about the American Dream?
- Do you agree or disagree with the author and why?



"THEY SAY THEY'RE BUILDING A WALL BECAUSE TOO MANY OF US ENTER ILLEGALLY AND WON'T LEARN THEIR LANGUAGE OR ASSIMILATE INTO THEIR CULTURE..."