

Example #1

Student A's post for Footstep 3: Migration in the Media



In my opinion legal immigration is great to help people who wants to solve some problems and for the ones who looks for a better life. For example in times of war, lots of people wanted to escape from their countries to be safe or to increase their economy or to reach the American dream.



I believe that illegal immigration isn't a good way to get those things that I have just said, because it's a way of increasing the danger and the crimes, even if there are some cases in which people don't have the possibility of pay everything that the immigration needs, but anyway I think that is not the way. In that photo there are immigrants crossing a border, a boundary.

Student B's comment: *I really liked how your post was insightful and you had an interesting point of view! I thought it was intriguing when you said illegal immigration is "a way of increasing the danger and the crimes." However, I don't necessarily agree with this. I completely see where you are coming from, and agree that it's not great to have a huge number of undocumented people in any country.*

However, I strongly sympathise with people who have to leave their home for whatever reason. I think sometimes people don't feel like they have the choice to stay and know that if they try to go through legal systems they will be denied. Illegal immigration is a tricky subject, but I believe that sometimes, people need to flee and have no other choice, and I strongly believe that it's important to try to help people. I'm not saying illegal immigration is good per say, and it is a tricky topic to address, but I do feel like it isn't always necessarily bad, as it does sometimes save lives and benefit people

Student C's comment: *You really struck a nerve with this, as immigration policies are one of the most controversial topics in the US right now. I see your point definitely, but I personally do not agree with it. I believe that without immigrants, we would never have become the country we are today, and that it goes against the basis of what the US stands for to stop allowing immigrants into the country. I do agree with your views on legal immigration as opposed to illegal, but I do believe it is important to remember that not everyone has the same opportunities or abilities, and that sometimes its necessary to break rules in order to survive.*

Example #2

Student A's post for Footstep 2: Everyday Borders

Boundaries exist because of fear. People get scared and try to keep other people away from them, out of their territory, and they do that by creating boundaries. They exist to make people feel safe. People that are scared set up boundaries, it is as simple as that. I walked around my school campus and didn't really notice anything until I tried to get back into the building. All the doors were locked tight. I mean all of them. I had to text a friend to come get me. That is when I realized that THIS was the boundary I had been looking for. The school had put up borders to keep people out. And why was that? Once again because they were afraid of people coming in. All borders are created based off of fear, not necessarily the same fear, but fear.

Student B's comment: *Borders are not always created out of the result of fear but for privacy. Neighbors set up gates to border their house to have privacy from their next door neighbors.*

Student A's response: *I see what you're saying, but it is still a belief of mine that in a lot of cases, privacy can be based off of fear of being judged. I am just stating my opinion and observations from my life.*

Student C's comment: *I think that your point of view on this is really interesting because you are very determined on what you think boundaries are for. I believe, anyway, that boundaries exist because of other reasons, too, Don't you think boundaries exist not only for fear, but also for keeping privacy, or protecting something?*

Student A's response: *You're not the only person to tell me that and you make a really good point, but I believe a need for privacy is often based off a fear of being judged. Again with the need to protect something, I think that need is based off of a fear of that being taken from them or hurt.*