



Shared Journeys Meet Victoria Program

What should you know before you visit?

What's a tenement?



Tenement: a building that houses three or more families. This is **97 Orchard Street**, which had 20 apartments.

Where is 97 Orchard Street?



The arrow is pointing to the Lower East Side, in Manhattan, where 97 Orchard Street is located.

What is Shared Journeys?

The Shared Journeys program is an opportunity for you to learn about immigration in the past, and to share your immigration experiences in a group discussion.

What will you do at the museum?



You will meet an actress playing the role of Victoria Confino in 1916, and you will visit in an apartment and ask her questions about her life.

Vocabulary to know for your visit



For meeting Victoria: What do you want to know about immigrants arrivals in 1916?

For discussion: how would you describe your arrival to the United States?

New arrival: in the 1910s, thousands of immigrants arrived through Ellis Island, the immigration processing center.



Keep traditions: foods, holidays, dress, that have been in a culture for a long time.

For meeting Victoria: consider asking Victoria how her family keeps traditions. Were there customs that she and her family changed in America?

For discussion: what traditions do you keep from your home country? What makes it easier or more difficult to keep those traditions?



Adapt to a culture: to change your behavior or practices so it is easier to live in a place.

For meeting Victoria: you may want to ask Victoria what new things she's done in America, and what she likes best about American culture.

For discussion: what are some customs that were new to you in America? Have you adapted your customs to include American practices; why or why not?



Make a living: to work and earn money in a job.

For meeting Victoria: it could be interesting to ask Victoria how her family makes a living in New York, and how they made a living in their home country.

For discussion: how is your work and your work schedule different in American than it was in your home country?