



Be part of the creative writing contest that rewards the exploration of America as a nation of immigrants.



**Celebrate America** inspires educators to bring U.S. Immigration history and lessons into their classrooms and gives fifth graders the opportunity to explore America as a nation of immigrants.

Past winners have documented the experience of immigrants who have left their homelands in search of a more promising future in America, spoken of their immigration experiences or reflected on their ancestors or parents.

Students submit their work to local contests which are sponsored by chapters of the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA). Each chapter forwards the local winning entry to the American Immigration Council's national competition.

**The National Winners and Guests Go Free to the Award Ceremony**

The grand prize winner (and two guests) will receive a trip to the Council's annual benefit and awards dinner in New Orleans in June 2017. The winner will be recognized and will recite the winning piece.

**Learn More and Get Started**

Give your fifth graders an opportunity to explore, write about and understand a topic of perennial importance. The written entries must be limited to 500 words. Contact your local contest coordinator to participate!

**Learn more: [CelebrateAmericaWritingContest.org](http://CelebrateAmericaWritingContest.org)**



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