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EL CAJON LIBRARY ZINE 2024



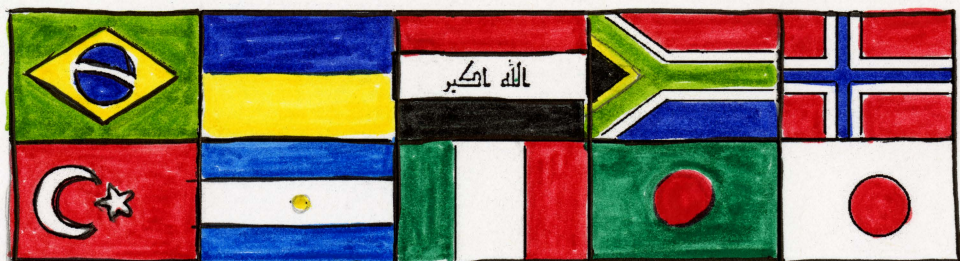
At the San Diego County Library, our mission is to
empower our communities to
create their own story.

This zine was made in collaboration with
members of the El Cajon community and funded
through a Library Innovation Lab grant through
California Humanities.

This 6-week zine-making workshop was a library
program where participants focused on freedom
of expression and information. Community
members participating in the program learned
about zine culture, accessed various zine-making
materials, and then organized their stories,
theme, and storyboard to assemble their zines.

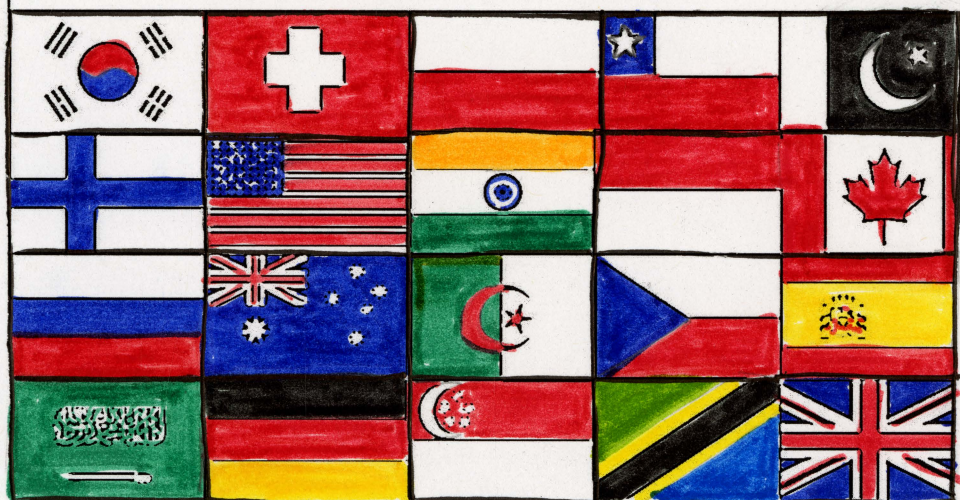
Zines are self-published works about anything
that have roots in counterculture, intellectual
freedom and freedom of expression, activism,
and humanities interests, all while elevating
diverse voices.





Cartoon island: Around the world

By: Rita Ghazala



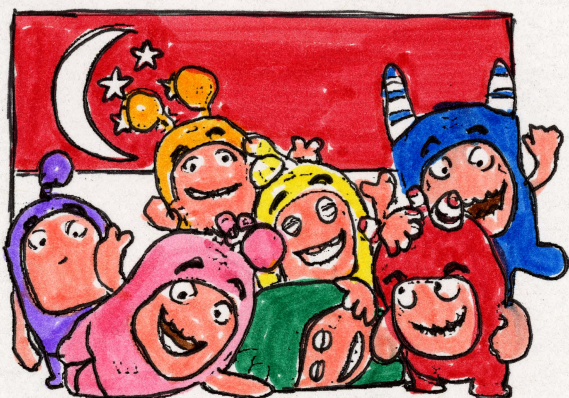
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Kral Sakir	Turkey
Larva	South Korea
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Masameer	Saudi Arabia
Meena	Bangladesh
Monica's Gang	Brazil
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Nussa	Indonesia
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Paper Port	Chile
Pat and Mat	Czechoslovak
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Pingu	Switzerland
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Pokemon	Japan
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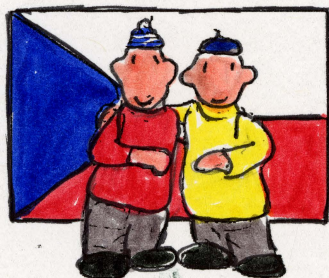
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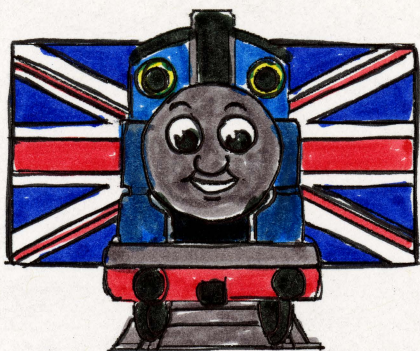
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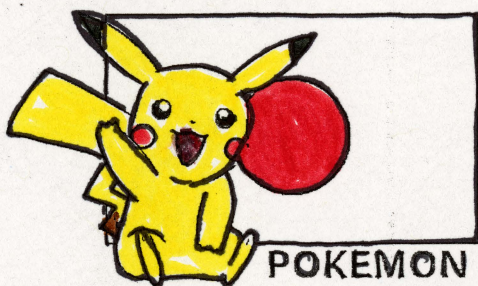
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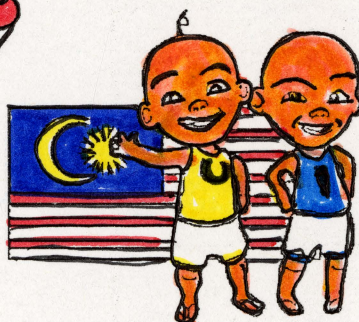
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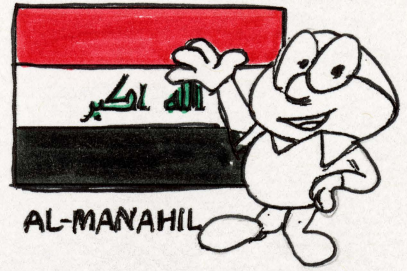
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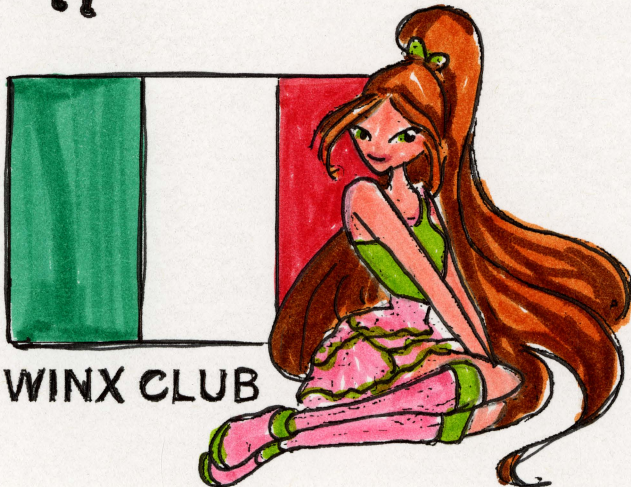
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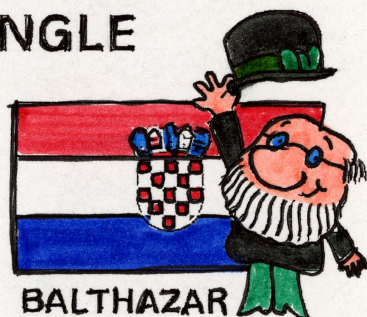
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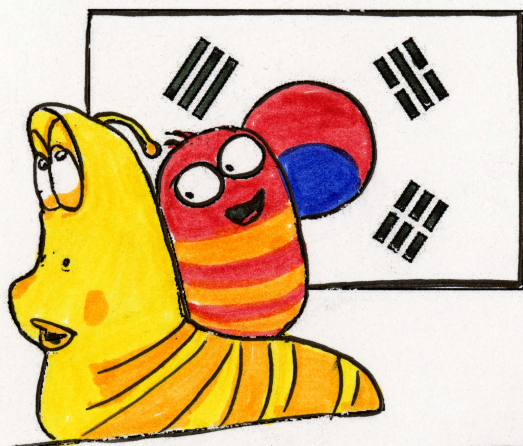
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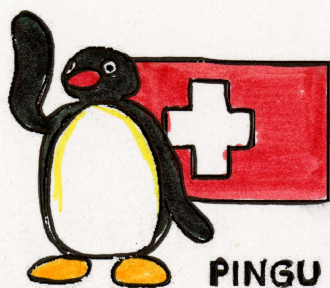
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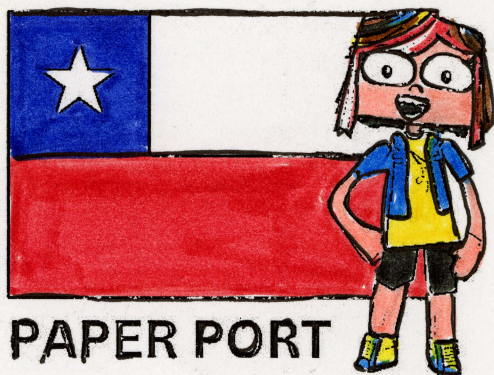
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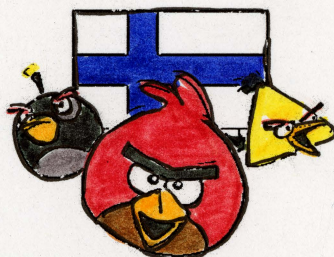
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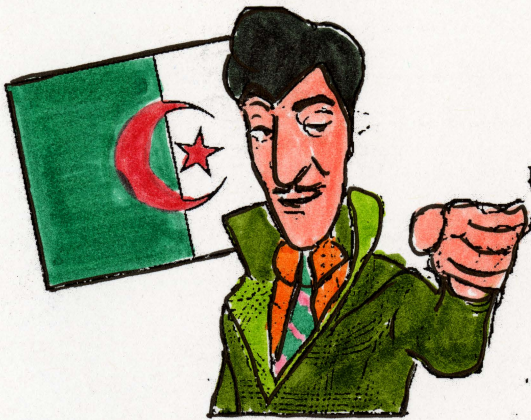
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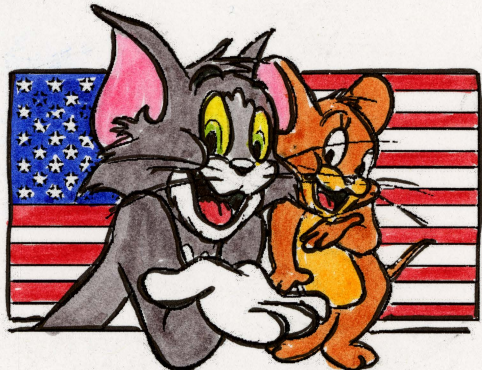
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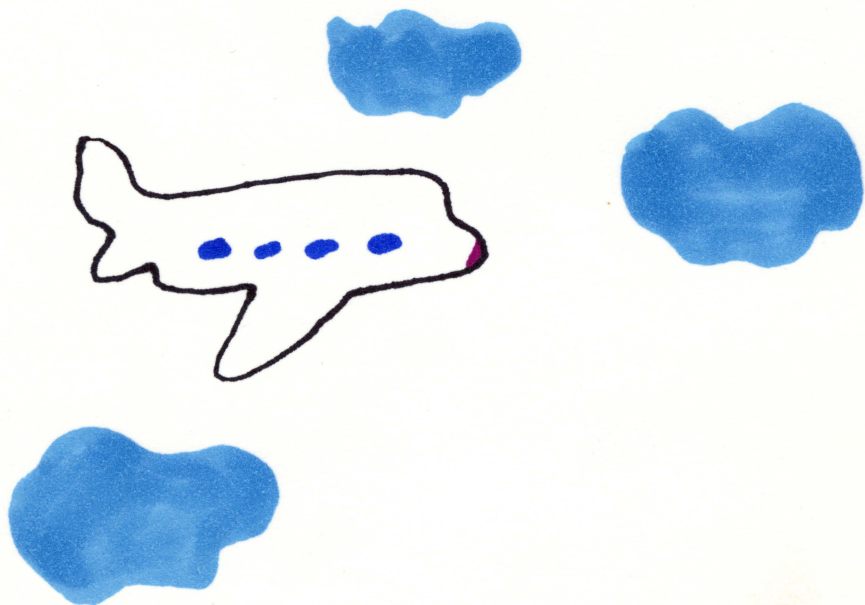
TOM & JERRY

new
American
Island

by: Sara



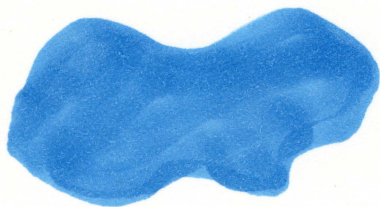
There was a girl named
Sana. It was her first day
in America. She was
scared and nervous. She
didn't know any English.



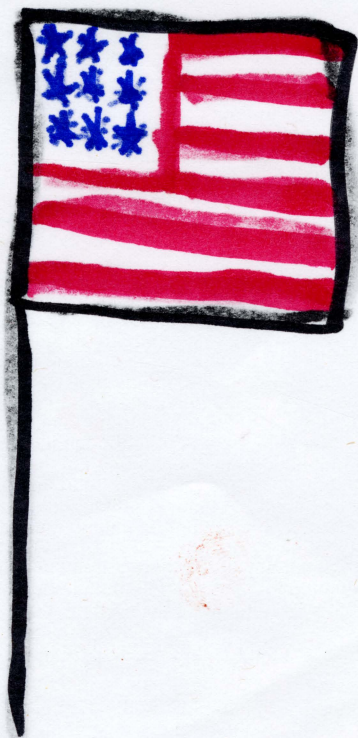
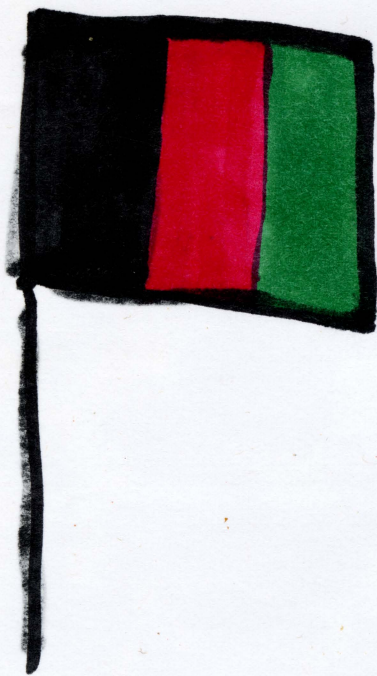
She was scared.

She say Buildings.

She say Different
people. and different
faces.



The sad part was
her Cousins and
Friends her family's
in Afghanistan. her
old home. but
how she speaks
English. She is
happy with the new
faces. And now she
is 10 years old in 2001



My name is Lema. I Was in
afghanistan but then we
move to america and i
wus so scared so mach!

It wus my first day in
america! I wus so scared in
america! So i went to school.
So i start to make lot of
friends and i haed so fun in
my class.



by Sahil namond

Cricket

There was a boy name ~~_____~~
Sahil mamond, ~~_____~~ he was from
afghanistan. He came to USA
in 2021. ~~He~~ started cricket in
2022. He was felly good at
cricket.



His favorite players wher
Ibrahim Zadran and
Rahmanullah Gurbaz both of
them wher relly good. they
wher from afghanistan.
now in 2024 sahil was relly
good ever team wanted him
but he played for young blood.



SADRA

life

Sadra is a girl she was from Afghanistan

she was born in Afghanistan she was
a girl she go to school in Afghanistan

she was in 6th grade in Afghanistan

she had a big family in Afghanistan

her father and mother and grandfather

and grandmother. the time was past

her grandfather died and after few year

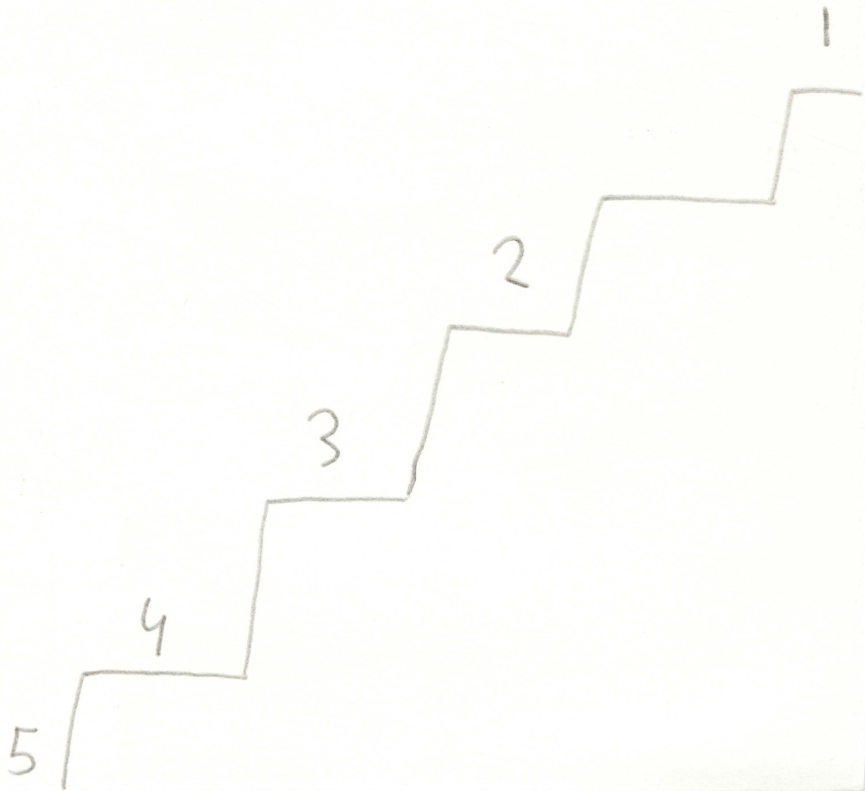
her grandmother died.



And After a 4 year ago sadra family
wan went to America with her family
it wan 2021 and they are happy it
was sadra family dream to go to
America and they went but they
mis they family and friend she leave her
friend she was sad America her favorite
countre but she leave her all friends.



Sadra started school in America
her family start new life in
America it was hard for her
family because they don't know
English Sadra father and her mom
was good parent because they see
lot of hard day in they life.



it was sadra dream to learning
English she start school form
7th grade. in America it was
good for sadra she was happy
that why she want to learning
English past in know about more
langage.

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New Comers

I Island!

By: Wahida Hamdani

Introducing Newcomer Island :

This Island is warm and safe space for everyone. Even though the name may suggest that this Island is only for New-Comers. But, everyone is welcome to join and learn about my immigration journey and then learn about the tips I give to Newcomer or new-Americans ♡ :)

About the Author

I was born in Afghanistan, where the war on Terror was taking place at that time. Growing up amid the war, the echoes of the daily Soun tracks, blasts, and gunfires were part of Daily life. From what people told me and what I understood, a foreigner strong group called Americans are fighting the "bad People" in our country. But, what I saw was that more "good people" were dying than the bad ones. Well, well... now we all know that now the 20 years long in Afghanistan ended in 2021. But to continue my Personal story... my father

worked with government
at that time... taliban learned
that and our lives were in
danger now. Because of this
threat... someone gave the
advise to my father that
we should flee to India.
India was a beautifully
strange and diverse country.

Life was difficult in India
but today let's focus on
positive things. In India,
I started my educational
journey and made really
great friends. I also learned
Hindi and so much about

Bollywood movies... I love
Bollywood and Indian food.

Long story short, United
Nations High Commissioner
for Refugees (UNHCR) accepted
our case after ⁽⁶⁾ long years
in an unknown nation and
we were able to come to US in 2016. (3)

So, I come to U.S. in 2016,
Again, we didn't know the
culture and language.

I didn't know anything
about Hollywood or the
education. But, today after
7 years, I go to college
and want to become an
advocate ~~for~~ for women's
rights, refugee's rights.

Also, I want to be
financially stable, so I
can help others the
world. Okay! Now you
may complain that most
of this Island is about
me... this was just
my story in a very
very.. very short
version.

Tips for New-comers...

- ① Your different background is your strength not weakness.
- ② Don't worry about fitting-in. You are perfect the way you are.
- ③ Dream Big. Dreams can actually come true in this country.
- ④ Don't worry, no one actually hates you. Some people just don't know you, so try your best to spread positivity and love.
- ⑤ Have hope for the future... Past is actually gone.

"Dream Island"



Ladina

10-15-24



By: Nadia-Zadran

One girl her name is Nadia-Zadran.
She is from Afghanistan.

Now she is lives in U.S. When she came to the U.S she don't know how to speak English, but now she understand English and know how to speak english. She help with her family to translate. She not just help with her family, but she's help with every people she help with people because when she come first time in The U.S she didn't know how to speak English now she trying to help people with translating. But she has one secret, her secret is that futur, but her family think that she will be a doctor. Her family wants her to be a doctor because they want her to help people in their country.

When she finish high School, She Started a Journalism Career in collage, but her family didn't know that she chose journalism. One day her family know that she starts the Journalism career in collage.

She has one best friend who talked to her family about the Nadia's future and she was able to encourage Nadia's family to let her to be a journalist one she became a Journalist.





JARROD



S o c c e r

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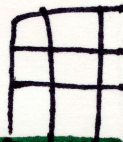
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Soccer is a sport that is played by millions of people. Also, Soccer was made in 1863.

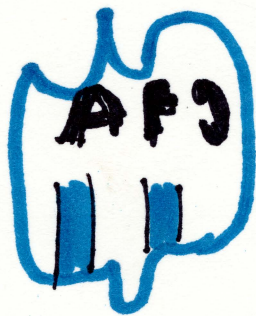
The history of soccer
soccer started in early asia.
It was called tsu or kick ball.

Soccer was invented over
2000 years ago. As soccer advanced
they started using leather balls.



Trophies

They are a lot of trophies in Soccer. Some trophies are copa america, euro, world cup. My favorite trophy is the world cup because it comes every four years and our favorite team go against each other.



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Ellis island



By Nasrat
Hamdard



Ellis

Island



My name is Jack and I am from Ireland. Let me tell you about my journey to Ellis Island. Me and my friend conor went to Ellis island and went in one of the buildings.Me and my friend conor went to Ellis island and went in one of the buildings.When we went inside, we went into the baggage room. They checked everything inside my bag and in everyone else's bags. The guard told me and my friend Connor that we were ready to go to the great hall.



In the great hall, I hear people screaming and children crying then they call my number and then they put a hook in my eye. I was really scared because my friend got the letter on his back but I didn't. Then the guard said we are ready to go but not to Connor so we got separated. Then the guard told me congratulations you are allowed to go to United States. I was so excited but then I realize that my friend didn't come with me so I asked the guard, and he said, he got the letter E so that means that he has an eye infection so he has to go back to his country. I wouldn't inside the United States. It has been 10 years since then, but I will never forget that day.

A summary about what happens in this story

Jack recount a journey to Ellis island with his friend Connor after going through a baggage check, they are lead into a great hall, where unsettling sounds of distress, fill the air. They are separated when Connor is flagged for an eye infection marked with a E, which means he cannot enter the United States, Jack excited. Jack, excited yet heartbroken realize he must continue alone 10 years later the memory of this day still haunt him.

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