

Immigration and Ellis Island Expert Book

Over the past few weeks, we have studied immigration, specifically from 1880–1930, when Ellis Island was in use as a federal immigration station. Now, it’s your turn to share your knowledge with others.

Directions:

Over the next two weeks, you will:

- Choose a topic for your Expert Book. Make sure it is broad so you have plenty of information to share.
 - **Example:** “From Ellis Island to Orchard Street” is broad, allowing you to share ample information. “The Medical Exam” is very specific and better off being a chapter within your book.
- Conduct research on your topic by drawing upon sources you used throughout the unit (books, texts, videos, maps, etc.).
- Organize your Expert Book.
 - Provide an introduction to the topic you chose.
 - Write at least 2 to 3 chapters on subtopics within your topic.
 - **Example:** If your topic is “Reasons Immigrants Came to America,” chapters could focus on the economic, political, and religious reasons for immigration.
 - You must include a table of contents, photographs, and captions in your book.
 - Include at least 2-3 additional text features in your Expert Book. Some examples are:
 - Diagrams
 - Infographics
 - Glossary
 - Timelines
 - Charts
 - Sidebars
 - Maps
 - Write an “About the Author” section.
 - Here is a [collection](#) of the pages you might choose to use in your Expert Book.
- Draft your Expert Book by drawing on the information you have learned in class.
 - You may use [graphic organizers](#) to help you organize your information.
- Implement feedback to improve your writing.
- Publish your Expert Book.