Topic: Rights & Responsibilities

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Activity: Rights and Responsibilities Discussion and Charting Exercise: Your

Responsibilities

Introduction

If a person has certain rights in the U.S., that person also has certain responsibilities; you cannot have one without the other.

Objectives

By the end of this unit, participants will be able to:

- Describe their legal status at each of the three stages
- Describe the requirements of becoming a citizen
- Identify their responsibilities toward American society

Lesson Time

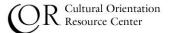
10-20 minutes

Materials

Your Responsibilities Handout (included)

Practice

- 1. Rights bring with them responsibilities. We have discussed what the US gives refugees, now it is time to discuss what refugees should give to the US.
- 2. Divide participants into small groups and hand out the worksheet.
- 3. Once completed, ask volunteers to share their thoughts. Encourage discussions between groups that disagree.



Your Responsibilities Handout

In the same way that you receive certain rights from the U.S., it is your duty to accept certain responsibilities. Read the right in the left-hand column, then write down your responsibility in the right-hand column.

Rights and Freedoms	Responsibilities
Political	
Right to vote	
Right to voice opinions	
Right to seek political office	
Civil	
Right to be judged by the court	
Right to be treated equally	
Right to personal security	
Social	
Right to be treated with dignity and respect	
Right to a clean and healthy environment	
Right to adequate food, clothing, shelter	

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