

NARRATIVE ASSIGNMENT: DAY 1

For the Summative Assessment of this unit, you will write a narrative from the perspective of another person as identified in a story posted on the United Nations Refugee Agency website. You will complete this assignment in stages.

DAY 1: Choose a story from the website in which you are interested. Post the link here:

<https://www.unhcr.org/en-us/news/stories/2022/3/6242ff434/refugees-migrants-brave-jungle-wilderness-search-safety.html>

Read the story. Create an objective summary of the story here:

Refugees and migrants travel through unbearable jungles just to find a place to call home. Many Venezuelans, Haitians, and Cubans flee anywhere else but where they were from just to find safety. The dangers they faced included rushing rivers, diseases, and thieves. Once they get far enough to Panama, the migrants and refugees are provided with temporary homes and other necessities. Crossing from Columbia to Panama is performed by many people willing to face the long and hard journey.

After reading the story, view the WORDS MATTER chart here:

<https://www.unhcr.org/en-us/6177f48c4>. Identify whether the main person covered in your story is a refugee, migrant, asylum seeker, or internally displaced person.

Migrant

What language does he/she speak?

Spanish

What are the most pressing needs of the people group you have read about?

The main conflict is the travel through the jungles from Venezuela to Panama and the danger within the jungle.

Your next assignment will be to chart out a first-person narrative using what you have learned from the story you selected. Brainstorm three possible story threads below. You will choose one of these from which to draft a plot diagram.

1. A migrant woman crosses a rushing river with her children on their journey through a

jungle fleeing from their home of Venezuela. Treading through the rushing waters, I look back making sure everyone is safe behind me. We are almost to the end of the river and soon we will be safe. I feel my feet slipping under me while I hold my child on my back. I fall briefly, but balance myself for the rest of the way. We make it to the other side of the rivers.

2. A migrant runs out of food half way through the journey to find a home through the jungle.

3. A Panama worker welcomes migrants coming from the jungle and provides safety and necessities.