



Coming To America

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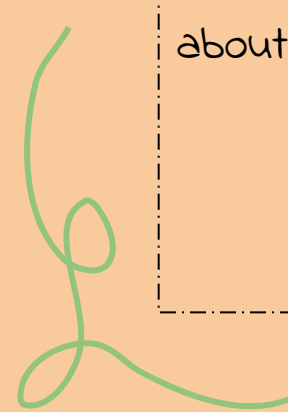
Life in Cuba is having a communist government, economic issues, brain drain, government persecution of dissidents, and collapsing state institutions. The average monthly salary is \$252. The economy of Cuba is largely a dominated by state-run enterprises. Cuba is going through a food shortage the first since the 1990s. 70% of its food being imported. Cuba is one of the worst countries for access to information and internet. Millions of Cubans have fled to the United States because of the Cuban Adjustment Act

She lived in cuba for practically her whole life and she had a son here who migrated to the United States 30 years ago. She had not seen her son for 30 years straight, which was the main reason she wanted to come to Florida.





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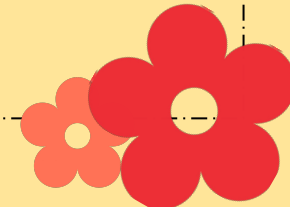


Living in cuba all her life and coming to the united states at her old age it was harder for her to adapt to her new way of life here and it would make her think about going back to cuba but she was eventually able to adapted to the u.s.



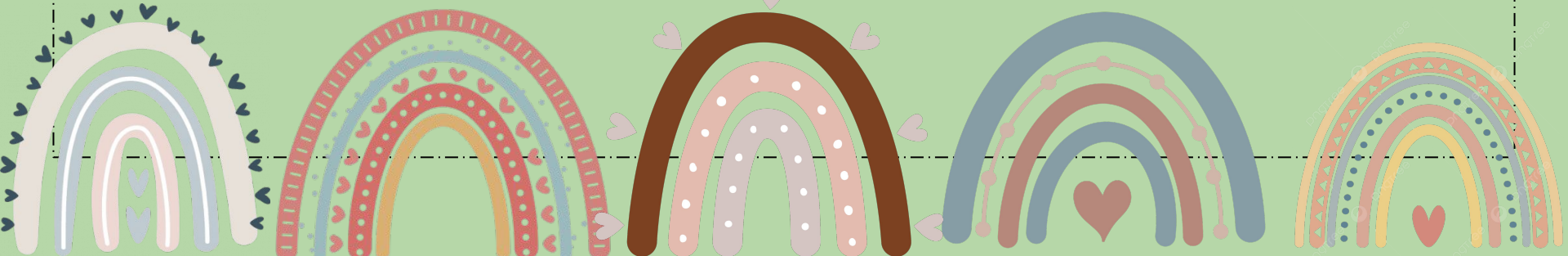
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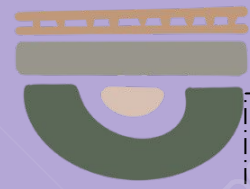
Abuela first thought was about her son, she thought about how her son looks different, how he's bigger since she last saw him and she was happy to finally meet the family he started in america and she also noticed the cultural differences in the united states and how diverse it is and how surprising it was that all these people can walk around freely.



What did you miss most about where you came from?

She misses the form of living in cuba and how she was able to walk around freely when she wanted to but in the united states it more dangerous and if she were to walk around as she did in cuba she has a chance of getting robbed or kidnapped and having to worry about drunk people in the street while in cuba it's less dangerous.





If someone you knew were planning on coming to this country/community, what would you tell them to expect?

"If your migrating from one country to another its best to do it while you're young so you can work and adapt better and start your life better in america and start off better then i did."



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