# Title When Will the Elderly finally be free of War?

### Illustration



A book by M. Quinn

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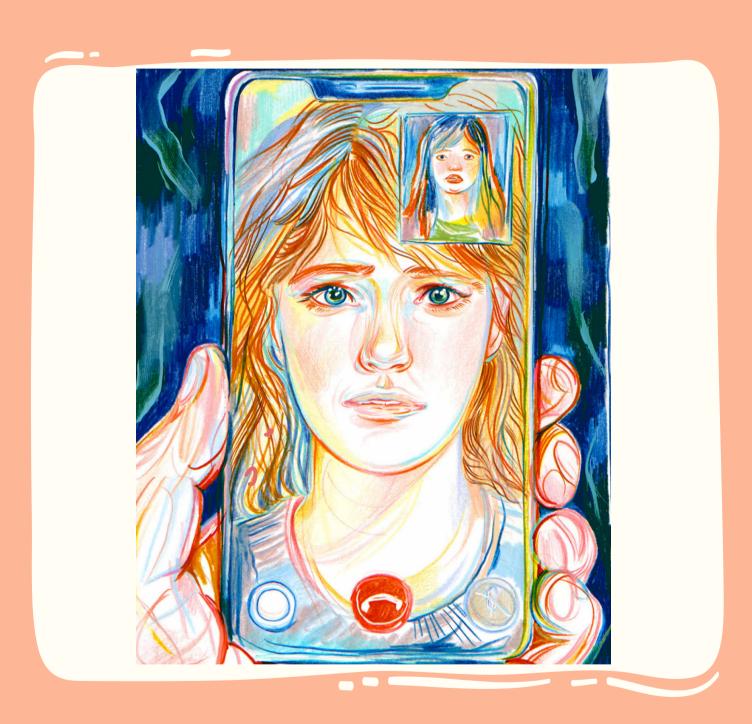
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Ukraine has been through a lot recently and in the past. It should not always be like this and people should not be scared of when the next war is or if they will have to move from their home. Elderly people shouldn't have to experience this multiple times in their lifetime. Trauma is a big thing that unfortunately comes from big events like these that can make their conditions worse if they have severe PTSD

When Will the Elderly finally be free of War?

This book is about the elderly people in Ukraine who have suffered from past wars and are still suffering from recent wars. There are about 3.4 million people who have been through these terrible things and are still alive to remember all the tragic events. They are the highest proportion of elderly affected by war in the world. During these wars, many young people left to live somewhere more safe, but the elders were left behind because they knew they could not make the journey to a new home and barely survived. In March 25, 2020 there was a plan to raise 33 million dollars for people with disabilities and older people to help them out during these times of conflict. The war has displaced over 1.5 million people and over 10,000 casualties. All the elderly people can hear in their heads are the sounds of gunshots and are torn by this. This book will provide the information to learn more about the people in Ukraine who are really struggling and don't want to be reminded of trauma everyday.

### So Close Yet So Far



A book by M. Shasmeen

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Sasha and Olga had a tough time during the war. They are so close to eachother yet they are far. Though the war is still going on, they learn how important they are to each other. All they want is peace, they want to wake up when the Ukraine

has won the war. Things can be difficult sometimes, keeping relationships during a war can also be very hard according to sasha. They face many troubles such as not having anything to eat, no electricity, sleepless night. Everyday they hear sirens and gunshots. But as time passes by they get used to it. In the end, Olga's parents doesn't migrate to paris since they love thier home country and don't wanna lose it.

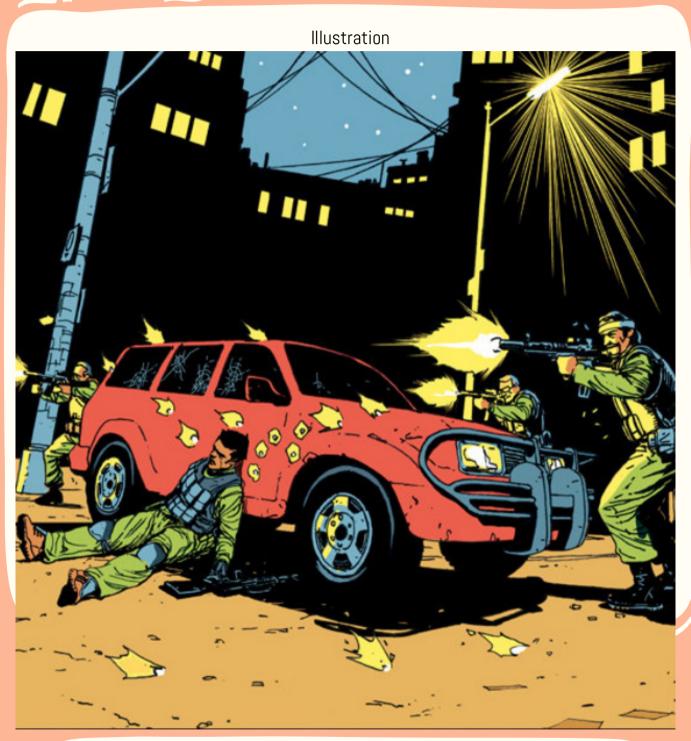
### So Close Yet So Far

### Provide a summary

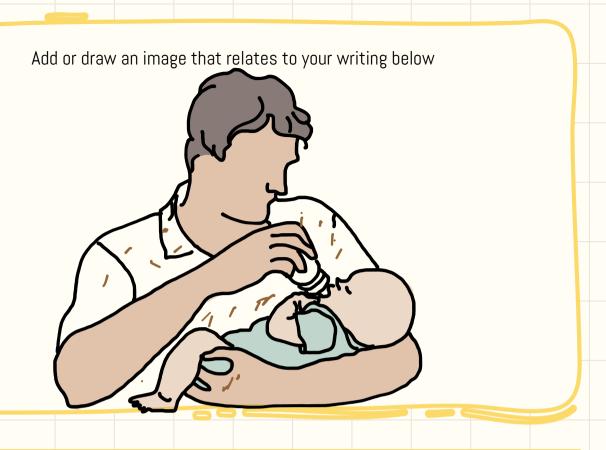
Olga and sasha are Ukranian sisters who are separated by war but not hearts. Olga is a 34 year old living in Paris with her husband and two kids whereas Sasha, a 32 year old, living in Ukraine with her family. They write a diary and record everything that is currently going on with their everyday life. In this diary, Olga mentions everyday how she wants her family and sister to migrate to Paris from Ukraine, due to the war between Ukraine and Russia and the invasion from Russia, Ukraine has never been safe but olga's family disagree with her. Her family prefers living in their home country rather than somewhere else. But Olga doesn't stay silent as she insists them everyday to migrate to Paris and to live with her.

During the War, sasha mentions in her diary how her family, her and other ukranians have restless night due to the War. The sirens keep them awake, the sounds of gunshots, screams and cries makes them terrified. Olga on the other hand keeps on watching news, articles about the war, anxious and extremely worried about her family in Ukraine. Migration can be hard when you have been living in your home country for years. A person doesn't often want to migrate to another country since they aren't ready for a new change in their surroundings.

# Title The Journey Escaping Violence



A book by F. Ortiz



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I LEFT MY HOME IN HONDURAS WITH MY TWO YEAR OLD SON TO START MY NEW JOURNEY AND LIFE IN THE UNITED STATES. I'VE NEVER LEFT HONDURAS, A COUNTRY LASHED BY CRIME AND DRUG TRAFFICKERS AND WHERE EVEN PRESIDENT JUAN ORLANDO HERNANDEZ IS ALLEGED TO HAVE RECEIVED DRUG MONEY. THERE'S NO OPPORTUNITY FOR SUCCESS IN THIS COUNTRY; THE VIOLENCE HAS TOKEN OVER. MY NUMBER FOR MY APPOINTMENT TO MEET UP WITH U.S. IMMIGRANT OFFICIALS IS 1305. IT TOOK A LOT OF TIME FOR THEM TO HEAR OUT MY CASE. U.S. OFFICIALS DENIED MY REQUEST FOR A ASYLUM. MY DREAM WAS JUST TO BUILD A LITTLE HOUSE TO GIVE TO MY SON A BETTER LIFE, TO KEEP HIM AWAY FROM THE GANGS THAT HAVE OVERRUN MY COUNTRY. WHEN I GO BACK TO HONDURAS, I WILL NEVER LEAVE AGAIN.

### The Journey Escaping Violence

Provide a summary

JEISON AND HIS 2 1/2 YEAR-OLD SON JOURNEY BEGAN ONCE THE VIOLENCE AND GANGS STARTED TO OVERRUN HIS COUNTRY IN HONDURAS. HE JUST WANTED TO HAVE A BETTER LIFE FOR HIM AND HIS SON. HE WANTED TO SHARE HIS STORY ON WHAT HE HAD TO GO THROUGH TO GET DENIED FOR AN ASYLUM BY THE U.S IMMIGRANT OFFICIALS. HE WANTS A CHANGE IN THE SYSTEM SINCE IT **KEEP DISAPPOINTING MANY** IMMIGRANTS TRYING TO GET INTO THE U.S. BY ALL OF ITS RESTRICTIONS.

## Title The Journey of Many Immigrants



A book by K. Melendrez



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The things these immigrants have gone through was obviously not something that was easy. Many had to leave their old life behind and leave everything that they have built up from nothing. The journey that they took across a big desert and crossing Rio Grande could've possibly been fatal. They so luckily made it. Many immigrants tried escaping drug lords and gangs by trying to come to the United States. Some just wanted to build a better life for themselves here and for their family. Many immigrants had to leave their kids behind from where they came from due to safety issues. They pray every day to be able to see their children and family soon. Many attempted to leave their poverty behind to try and have a better job, a better home, or at least somewhere safe to sleep. Country's such as Honduras have so much poverty and people living out on the streets. Many people just want somewhere cleaner. Sadly, they were stopped and put into places like the pictures above where some of their children were taken away and put into these cages. They thought they would be coming to the United States for a better experience, but yet again, they had to face so many more hardships.

Many immigrants just want to be able to get papers legally and obtain a green card to be able to start building their new life. That would be the best next step ever. It could take years to obtain papers, a social security number, a green card, but many are willing to fight for their future and for their dreams. Even if they are deported, they will always try their hardest to at least do better back in their home, to try and get themselves out of poverty. They learned many many things. They learned how to cross the border and which routes are easiest. They learned how to survive out in the desert for days sometimes without food or water. Most importantly, they learned to never give up and to keep fighting for what they truly want. That is all that matters.

#### Title

### The Journey of Many Immigrants

#### Provide a summary

This book will make you open your eyes to the things that are going on in the world today and have been going on for hundreds of years. Immigrants come from all over the world, they are what makes America, America. This is why we are so rich in ethnicity and race. There is more than one main character in this story. This is the story about brave people coming from Venezuela, Honduras, Cuba, Mexico and many more places beyond that border. This is their stories combined on why they decided to risk their life and cross the border, whom unfortunately are now stuck there for a while because they were stopped by border patrol. Everyone stuck at the border can feel so drained of energy, tired, they feel like they have lost all hope, but some want to keep fighting for their freedom to one day thrive inside of the United States and have this as their immigration story that they tell everyone because they are proud at how far they came. To come here legally, it takes years, which is why many risk it and come here illegally crossing and making it with the help of a Coyote. Many don't understand it and even get angry on why they decide to come illegally, but they will never understand all of the series of events they may have gone through.

People come from all around the world to be in the United States for a better life, a greater chance at life for a significant reason for why they traveled days by foot to get here. America is filled with brand new opportunities and a new way of being able to remake themselves. To get away from violence of any kind. They come here so their story's get passed on from generation to generation so it will never be forgotten.

### Title HOPE AFTER SUFFERING



A book by L. VELASQUEZ

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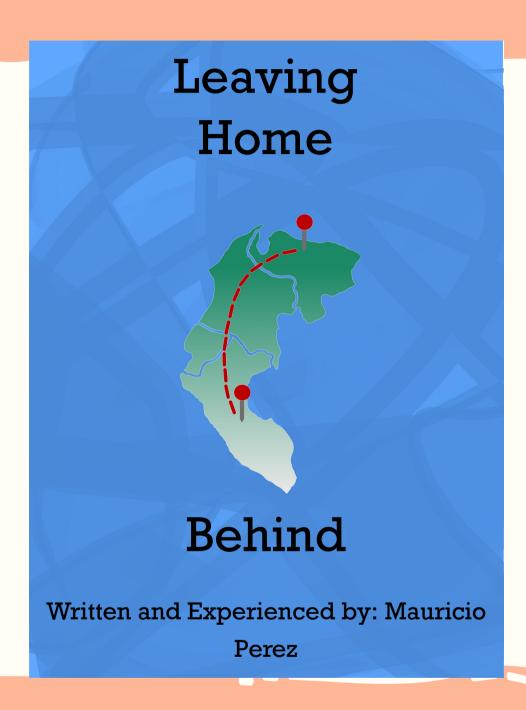
AFTER THIS EXHAUSTING, LONG AND HARD JOURNEY, BRANDON WAS LOOKING FORWARD TO ESTABLISH A FOUNDATION TO HELP OTHER VENEZUELANS WHO ARE GOING THROUGH THE SAME SITUATION AS HIM. HE ALSO WANTED TO REACH DORAL, A SOUTH FLORIDA CITY THAT VENEZUELANS HAVE TURNED INTO THE CAPITAL OF THE DIASPORA AND WHERE HIS FATHER LIVES. BRANDON HAS SUFFERED A LOT IN VENEZUELA, AND EVENTUALLY PERU, SO, FINALLY BEING ABLE TO HAVE A BETTER LIFE AND HAVING MORE POSSIBILITIES TO HELP HIS FAMILY WILL DEFINITELY MAKE HIM A HAPPIER AND PROUDER PERSON, AND HE COMPLETELY DESERVES ALL OF THAT, BECAUSE AFTER ALL, HE HAVE WORKED VERY HARD TO REACH HIS OBJECTIVES AND GET WHERE HE IS RIGHT NOW.

### A MAJOR PURPOSE

#### Provide a summary

LEAVING THE COUNTRY THAT YOU LOVE CAN MAKE A PERSON FEEL GUILTY, AND IT CAN BRING A LOT OF SUFFERING TO A PERSON, **BUT THERE IS NO SUCCESS WITHOUT** SUFFERING. LEAVING YOUR COUNTRY IS NOT A BAD DECISION, AFTER ALL, IT HAS SEVERAL PURPOSES: FINDING MORE JOB OPPORTUNITIES, WHICH MEANS MORE MONEY, AND MORE MONEY MEANS HAVING MORE POSSIBILITIES TO HELP OUR FAMILIES AND PEOPLE THAT WE LOVE. ALSO, BEING SCARED FOR YOUR OWN LIFE IS NOT LIVING, AND HAVING DAILY LIMITATIONS IS A HORRIBLE WAY OF LIVING AS WELL, SO, THERE IS NO SPACE FOR A PERSON TO FEEL GUILTY WHEN THEY DECIDE TO LEAVE THEIR COUNTRY FOR A BETTER LIFE FOR THEMSELVES OR THEIR LOVED ONES. SO, AT THE END, THIS EMOTIONAL JOURNEY IS NOT ONLY ABOUT HAVING A GOAL, OR ESCAPING FROM A CORRUPTED COUNTRY, BUT IT IS ALSO ABOUT FINALLY HAVING THE OPPORTUNITY TO LIVE THE BEST LIFE YOU COULD HAVE, EVEN THOUGH THE LOVE FOR OUR COUNTRIES IS AS BIG AS OUR NECESSITIES AND WELFARE.

# Leaving Home Behind



A book by M. Perez

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Then finally, after three long months of traveling and ten different stops along the way Mauricio Perez and his family made it to Peru. They had no idea how their life would be here; all they knew was that it was going to be better than their life back in Venezuela. Mauricio said that Peru was very inviting to their family and supported them a lot with starting their new life. The Perez family was actually starting to feel like they had a home. They don't know if they will ever go back to Venezuela , and currently don't plan to. Mauricio got a new job to sustain his family and his son is going into his first year of primary school. Mauricio doesn't see Peru as his forever home, in fact he applied for citizenship in Australia. So even though they were leaving their home behind, they found a better home.

### Leaving Home Behind

Provide a summary

This is the story of Mauricio Perez and his family. They mirgrated from a torn down and unstable Venezuela to a prosperous and inviting Peru. They started their journey on September first only to make it to Peru just before winter on December third. Sharing all of his hardships and accomplishments through his trek in the mountainous costal region. He describes in detail about the places he stopped at along the way and how he took care of his family. Did they make is there safely?

# Title The Tough Obstacle



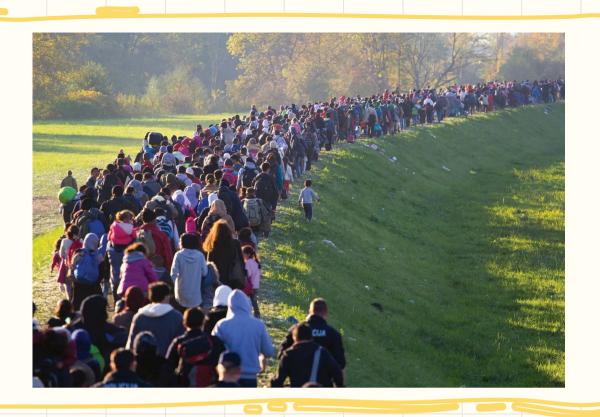






# OBSTACLE.

A book by Da Surano



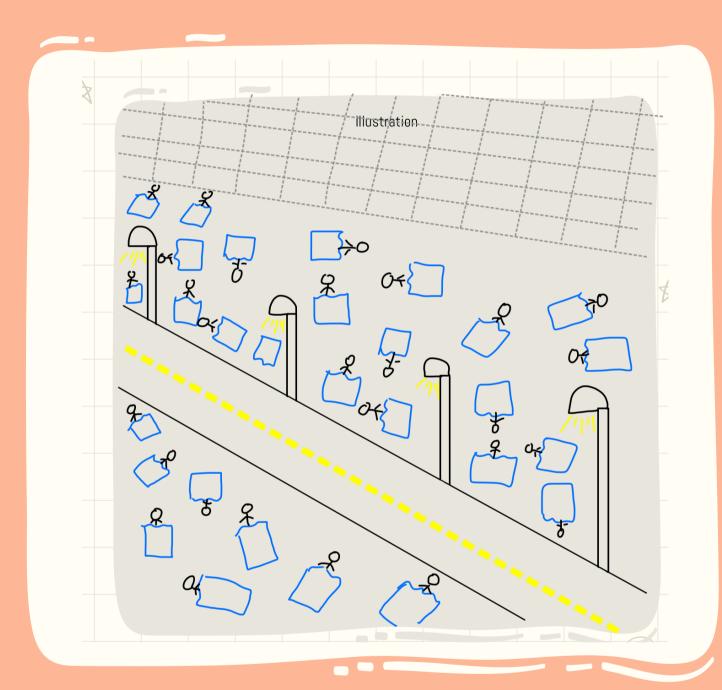
Yasmany, A Cuban migrant with number 1781, in a situation like most waiting immigrants, he's afraid to give his last name. For fear of criminal gangs in matamoros and repercussions against his asylum application. "Everyone has different versions of the agreements between the United States, Mexico, and Guatemala. We are afraid" he said. Yasmany like the rest of the Latin Americans are on the waiting list, waiting for there number to be called up, he hopes to get his number called up, as he goes along saying he "wishes to work hard get things going" so he can help out his mother who couldn't accompany him and his daughter on a risky long journey #178

### The Tough Obstacle

Provide a summary

Migrants face many obstacles in the journey for a better life. Real Life Situations people face When migrating to United States that include both obstacles and challenges. Migrants flee from their country for several reasons; money, in need of a better job, more opportunities, more help, etc. This story explains what it takes for immigrants to flee from there country and challenges they face. All these Migrants come from many places not just Mexico, an example is; Jeison a migrant from Honduras who made the treacherous journey with his 2 year old son to find a job in United States. As Jason recounts "in my country, there's no work" seeing the restrictions to get to United States he thought there was no opportunity. Officials denied his request for asylum and he must now return back to his country. His voice cracking up he said; "I'm going back to Honduras and never leaving again" receiving the denial, he lost all his hope all the dreams he had and wanted to achieve once being in United States. This heartbreaking account demosnstrates that many people have no clue to what it takes for many immigrants, to get into or cross the border into the United States. It also explains the ongoing situation which immigrants who migrate around the country face, such as getting rejected by jobs or getting payed a minimum wage which can be stressful to them and their family. This is a story of strength, courage and hope of individuals willing to risk everything.

# A long walk for Freedom



A book by D. Martinez



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After all the hardships Nancy went through for her children. She was able to cross the border and meet up with her deceased husband family in California. And she is now waiting for her court day in a lot safer and closer with family.

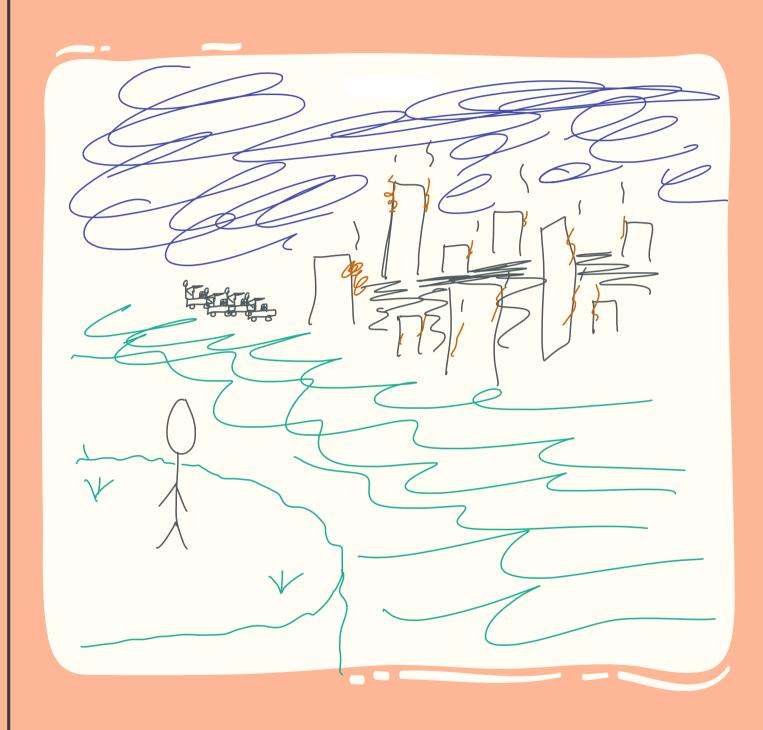
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# A long Walk for Freedom

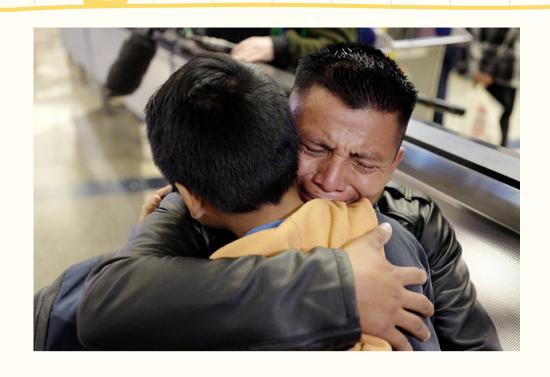
### Provide a summary

From living under a guranteed roof in El Salvador, to surviving day by day on the streets in Mexico. This is the story of Nancy and her two teenage sons who escaped the violence in their country for a better life. In February 2020, Nancy told her story to a Washington reporter who had crossed the border after seeing the rough situation. In her story she reveals how she came across a Mexican Cartel, and shortly after had to live in a border camp in Matamoros seeking asylum in the United States. This is a story of a mother that held her own against gangs and rough living situations for the safety of her two sons.

# Alone in Athens



A book by J. Hashimi



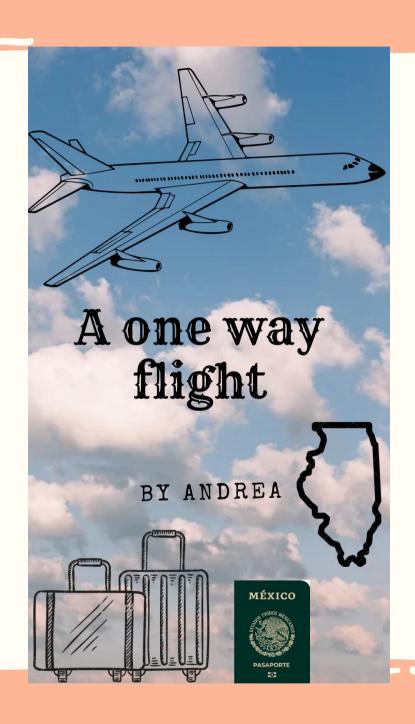
After his year long journey, my cousin finally made it to Athens. He informed me how he encountered many struggles along the way such as laying low from the Taliban and avoiding ending up in the same place as other members of my family, who did not make it while trying to stick up to the Taliban. Thankfully, the battle between my family and the Taliban can be fought together now. Now that my cousin is here with me, and I am not alone in Athens anymore. My cousin is hopeful about the opportunities that await on our journey together in Athens.

### Alone in Athens

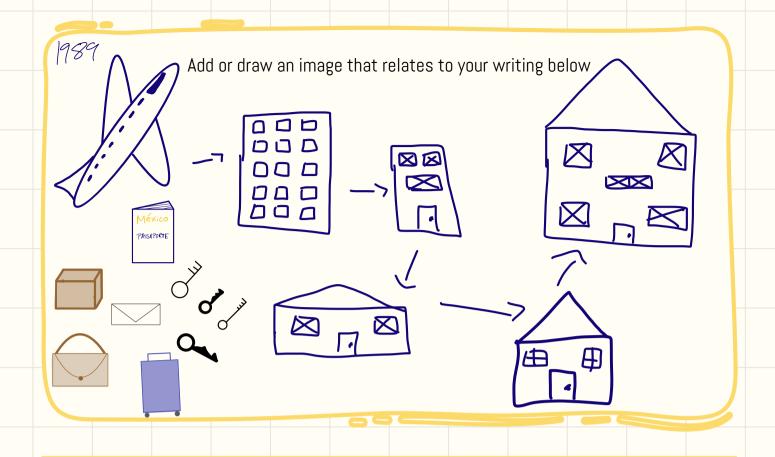
In August 2021, the United States pulled their troops out of Afghanistan after 20 years. This led to a mass exodus of Afghans fleeing the returning Taliban. Six years ago, Jawad Hashimi fled his town of Taloqan, Afghanistan, for Athens Greece, after receiving death threats from the Taliban for being apart of an organization against them. His family on the other hand, still remained in Afghanistan, as the country slowly was being engulfed by the Taliban. Worried about the fate of his family, he desperately tried to help get his family out of the country. This is a story of survival, family and hope. As Jawad works to reunite his family in Athens and escape the terror that is Afghanistan.

Title

A one way flight



A book by A. Romero



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After my mothers journey of constant moving she learned that she wouldn't ever want to go through that again nor have her children experience the difficulties. Constantly having to move, make new friends, and having to adapt to her environment challenged my mother but it helped her grow and along the way she learned many lessons. My mother once told me that if her parents hadn't decided to migrate to the United States she wouldn't be who she is today. "Things would have different, they would of been much worse" Although my mother didn't like that she had to move to a different country because she loved where she already lived but later on she realized that she is glad that she didn't stay in Mexico.

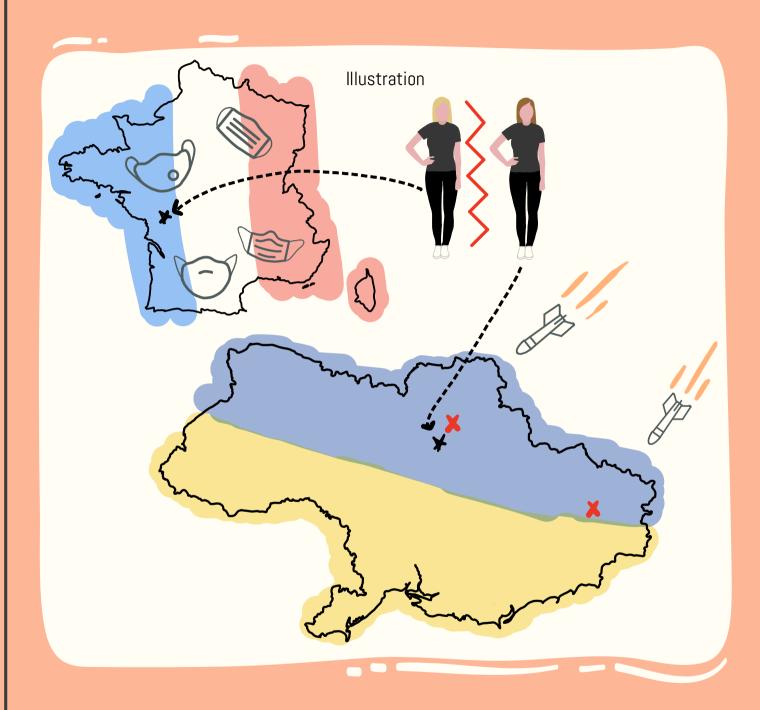
### New keys, New House

#### Provide a summary

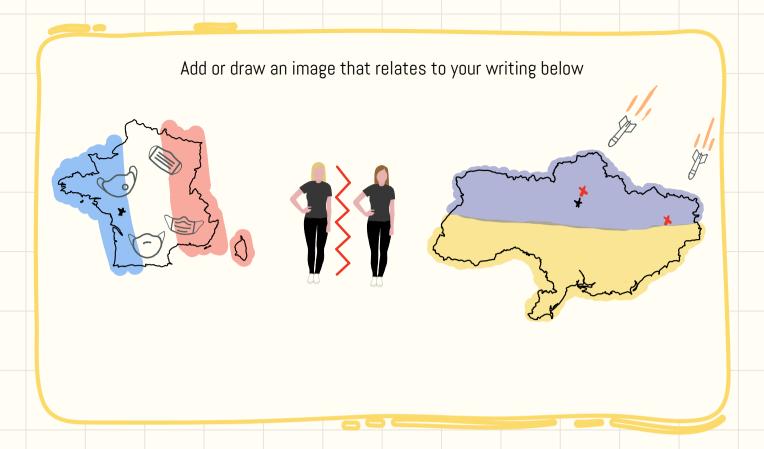
It was March 17 in the year 1989 when my mother, uncle and grandmother migrated to Illinois from Mexico City. At first they planned to live in Illinois for a few years till my grandfather's job here in the United States finished. Every other few years my mother, her brothers and her parents moved to find better housing while my grandparents worked. Over the ten years they moved a total of three times till they bought a house. After a few years my mothers brothers grew older and moved away. A few years after she had me and my younger sister and decided that she wanted to move away with her children and husband. Over those early years my mother had struggled adapting to living in the US, there were many times when she wanted to go back to Mexico. Sometimes it was because she really missed her home other times is because she didn't want people calling her slurs and telling her to "go back to your country". At school my mother felt very uncomfortable because she often felt out of place because she was surrounded by racist white classmates and teachers. Because her parents often moved it wasn't too long before she had to switch to another school where she found better people and was able to make some friends but she often struggled maintaining those friendships because soon after she got comfortable where she was her parents told her she was moving and it continued to happen several times. It was till she was an adult that she decided that if she was going to move that she would find a comfortable place and stay there for a long time. In the end she made a promised to herself that if she had children she wouldn't ever move to another country or make her children constantly switch schools.

Title

From Ukraine to France: The story of two sisters



A book by E. Owczarski



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While war is still going on is Ukraine, life there has started to go a bit back to normal. While they still wished this never happened, all they can do is hope for the best outcome. Though Olga still has covid, she continues to make sure her family is ok. Once she gets healthily again, she's going to everything she can to make sure her family is safe and healthy.

#### Title

### From Ukraine to France: the story of two sisters

#### Provide a summary

Sasha and Olga, two sisters. Both from Ukraine. A few years prior to war starting in Ukraine, Olga moved to France. War starts in Ukraine and at the same time Olga gets covid. While not being in the right state of mind, she starts panicking about her families safety. Sasha continues to keep her sister updated the best she can to remind her that they are ok. While there is nothing the both of them can do, they try to live their lives as normal as possible.

# Ukrainian refugees go back home, despite war with Russia

### Illustration





A book by M. Selvig

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The war between Russia and Ukraine finally slowed down and most families returned to their country (Ukraine). Valentina Garbetz and her family returned back to Ukraine from Moldova while the war was still going because they were too tired of running to be nervous. The 10 million people who fled to Moldova and other parts away from Ukraine returned home because everything they had was in Ukraine. Valentina and her family learned to be grateful for what they had because their home of Ukraine was destroyed. They went home and starting piecing their lives back together after months of being in war.

#### Title

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#### Provide a summary

During the war between Russia and Ukraine in 2022, many Ukrainians fled their homes and left many things behind because they were scared of the events happening. Many people stayed to help defend their home and country, while others with children fled to places like Moldova, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, etc. They felt like they had to get away because their country wasn't safe. Anyone who fled felt like they had to go back though because everything they had was in Ukraine. The war was a very scary time for Ukrainians and even people outside of Ukraine and in different countries were scared. We felt for them and most countries started fundraisers to help Ukraine repair from the damage the war cost. Other people in Ukraine, like the elderly, felt like they couldn't leave. Not to defend but mainly because as sad as it is, they wanted to die in their country. One woman's mom said "I want to live until I die in the motherland". A lot of people stayed while a lot of people left during the war between Russia and Ukraine.

# Leaving Venezuela

### Illustration



A book by A. Vazquez

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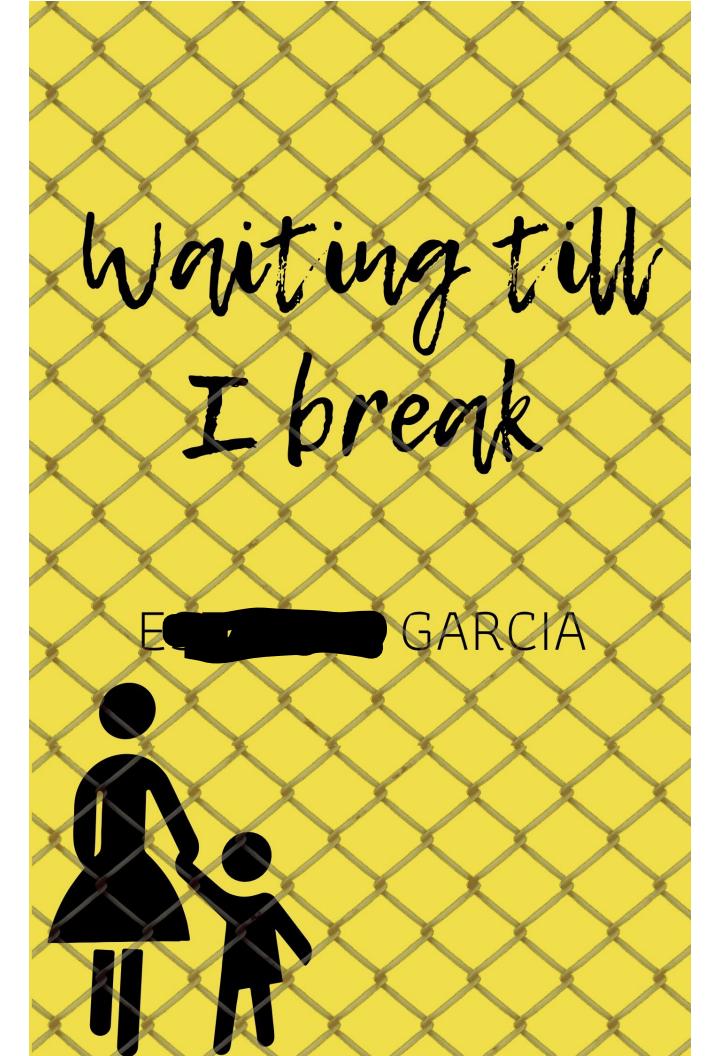
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83 days later, and Mauricio and his family have reached safety in Lima, Peru. He has gotten a job at the supermarket, and they are slowly becoming steady. The family has tremendous support from the government and non-profit groups; all which they were never given in Venezuela. Eventually, Mauricio wants to move to Australia, but for now, Peru will be just fine. Mauricio has realized that going back to Caracas, Venezuela is less than likely. He is aware that his family needs and deserves a better life. He now knows that he must seek out his better life opportunities and be brave enough to take the leap.

## Leaving Venezuela

Provide a summary

Mauricio Perez grew up in Caracas, Venezuela. In fact, Venezuela was the only land he knew, for he never experienced life elsewhere. In 1999, he went off to study architecture while Hugo Cháves took presidency. He started a family with his wife, Maria, and had a son named Luis. All seems well until the economy comes crashing down. Mauricio lost his job, and his family is left moving around hoping to find shelter. Violence is at a high, and disease rates show no sign of slowing down. Many Venezuelans have migrated already, and now it is time for Mauricio and his family to do so too. He decides Lima, Peru is the right destination. A 4,400 km distance that the family will have to walk the majority of. Join Mauricio Perez and his family as they take on the scorching hot deserts and the freezing mountains all in hopes for a better life.



### WILL THEY WAIT UNTIL THE END?

When Nancy and her two kids Andrea and David needed to escape their countr, El Salvador because of violence. They were getting involved in problems because of family. That later became escaping their regular life at home. They go by foot and bus to get all the way to the Mexican border. Just to get more violence in their way. They make it to the U.S to have a better life. They make it, but they go back to wait. They go through a lot to get there just to wait again. Will they be able to wait till the end?

# EPLLOGUE



AFTER THE WHOLE JOURNEY OF COMING OUT OF THE CARTEL THEY FINALLY MADE IT TO THE MEXICAN BORDER. THEY CROSS IT, BUT FAIL SINCE THEY GET CAUGHT. THEY LATER ON HAVE TO WAIT TO SEE IF THEY PASS THE POLICY THEY HAVE IN THE U.S.A. NANCY COULDN'T WAIT THAT LONG SO SHE MADE A PROMISE TO HERSELF. IF THEY DON'T GET ANY NEWS IN A WEEK SHE WILL CROSS IT AGAIN. THE NEWS CAME BACK TO HER QUICKLY AFTER SHE MADE THAT PROMISE TO HER. THEY OFFERED HER A GREAT CONTRACT TO LIVE IN AMERICA. THEY LET HER AND HER KIDS BECOME CITIZENS LEGALLY. THEY MOVE TO LOS ANGELES WHERE MOST OF HER FAMILY IS. SHE ALSO FINALLY GOT TO SEE HER HUSBAND. THEY CAN FINALLY BE HAPPY AND NOT WORRY ABOUT THEIR PROBLEMS. SINCE THEY ARE IN A SAFE PLACE AND AROUND THEIR LOVED ONES.