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The Immigrant Experience

... compiled by the Jennifer Phillips-Bacher

From the four corners of the world come these stories about the immigrant experience. Whether following family or chasing after dreams, these characters are living with one foot in each world: their new home and the home left behind. Exploring themes of nostalgia, homesickness, and cultural identity, these books give us a glimpse of the lives of immigrants and their families through the generations.

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