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**Unit 2: Immigration Vocabulary & Notes**

* Immigrant: a person who comes to live permanently in a foreign country.
* Emigrant: a person who is departing or has departed from a country to settle elsewhere.
* \*Undocumented Immigrant\*: a foreign-born person who lacks a right to be in the United States, having either entered without inspection (and not subsequently obtained any right to remain) or stayed beyond the expiration date of a visa or other status.
* Refugee: a person who has been forced to leave their country in order to escape war, persecution, or natural disaster.

**Quick Writes:**

1. What stereotypes do people have about undocumented immigrants?
2. What do you think are some of the challenges that an undocumented immigrant faces?

**Jose Antonio Vargas – Important Notes:**



**“Actions are Illegal, Never People”**

“As I stand here right now, there are tens of thousands of students across America who are here without papers, and I would hate to think that they’re sitting in their classrooms listening to us talk about them and internalizing the word ‘illegal.’

It’s incredibly dehumanizing and pejorative and [so many connotations] come with it — negative, all of them. That we’re criminals. That we’re not supposed to be within even the block that you live in or the school that you go to. Actions are illegal — never people. Something is terribly wrong when we refer to people as ‘illegal.’”