



Immigration

STORIES OF YESTERDAY AND TODAY

Ellis Island Burns Down – 1897

The first federal immigration station on Ellis Island was a large three-story tall wooden building, which opened on January 1, 1892. That building burned to the ground on June 14, 1897.

Research Question:

When was the new building built on Ellis Island?

What material did they build it from?

Why do you think they decided to build it that way?

Answers will be covered in the 15 minute preview to the Ellis Island Virtual Field Trip on March 29th.
Tune in at 12:45 ET to check your answers!