An Online Tour of Ellis Island

Go to the website:

Click on “Start the Journey Now.”

Stop 1: The Arrival

Who was the first immigrant to arrive at Ellis Island?
When did she arrive?

When people traveled to New York from other countries by boat, life on the boats was different depending on how much money they paid for their ticket. People with first class tickets had good food on the boat and comfy bedrooms. The cheapest tickets were called steerage.
Click on the “Audio” link and listen to a man talk about what life was like in steerage on a boat to America. Describe what it was like in steerage.

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Click on “Continue Tour” to go to Stop 2.

Stop 2: The Baggage Room

Click on the “Photo” link. Use the “Next” button on the top of the window to see the photos and read the captions.

Describe what you see in the photos from Ellis Island.

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Click on “Continue Tour” to go to Stop 3.

Stop 3: Stairway to the Great Hall

At Ellis Island, doctors carefully checked to see if the immigrants were healthy. They did not allow any sick people into the United States.

What was the first test used to check if immigrants were healthy?

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Click on the “Medical Chart” link. These are the special marks doctors wrote on immigrants’ jackets if they were sick. Look at the different marks.

- Draw the mark used for unhealthy eyes.
- Draw the mark used for pregnancy.

Click on “Continue Tour” to go to Stop 4.

Stop 4: Medical Exam

- Why did they check if people were healthy at Ellis Island?
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- What happened if they found out a person was sick?
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Click on “Continue Tour” to go to Stop 5.
Stop 5: The Great Hall

Click on the “Photo” link. Use the “Next” button on the top of the window to see the photos and read the captions.

What did immigrants eat at Ellis Island?

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Click on “Continue Tour” to go to Stop 6.

Stop 6: The Great Hall

Click on the “Audio” link and listen to a woman talk about being at Ellis Island with her mom and dad when she was a girl. She had a problem when her family met the inspector, (the person who checked immigrants.)

What problem did the woman have at the inspection?

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How was her problem solved?

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Click on “Continue Tour” to go to Stop 7.
Stop 7: Money Exchange

How much money did immigrants need to come into the United States?

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Click on “Continue Tour” to go to Stop 8.

Stop 8: The Journey’s End

Where did people go when they left Ellis Island?

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Answered all questions (1 point) __________
Wrote in complete sentences (1 point) __________
Used the computer responsibly (1 point) __________
Worked well with partner (1 point) __________

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