Norfolk: A County of Welcome Norfolk Record Office resource for Key Stage 2 pupils



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St. Martin at Palace Plain

Indenture Game

An indenture is a document in which the writer would write out an agreement and then turn the paper upside down and write it out again (for example if someone was agreeing to buy land from another person). A jagged line was then cut between the two copies. One half was given to one person (the seller), the other half to the other person (the buyer). If someone questioned if the agreement was valid they could match the 2 parts together and see if they fitted together.



Each of the indentures has either a question or an answer about the refugees coming to Norfolk. Have a go at matching the correct question with the answer. You can either print them and match them or match them in your head.





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Make a quiz for your family using some of the questions and answers you have discovered.



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- Q. Which famous Jewish scientist fled Nazi Germany and stayed in Runton, Norfolk, before moving to the USA? A. Albert Einstein (1879-1955)
- Q. What did Polish refugees call Britain in the Second World War?
- A. 'Last Hope Island'
- Q. Who went on the Kindertransport?
- A. Jewish children who went on train from Germany and Austria to Britain, at the start of the Second World War.
- Q. Who were the 'Strangers'?
- A. Dutch and French refugees fleeing religious persecution in the 1500s.
- Q. Where did the word 'refugee' come from?
- A. 'From the French word réfugie. Brought to this country by French Protestants in the 1700s
- Q. In 1570s-80s what fraction of the Norwich population were Dutch and French-speaking refugees?
- A. $\frac{1}{3}$ (one third)









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Q. What drink did Dutch refugees introduce to England in the 1400s? Beer

What symbol of Norwich was introduced by Dutch refugees in the 1500s? The canary

Which kitchen utensil was introduced to England by Dutch refugees in 1400s? The frying pan.

The International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement is present in how many countries across the world? Every country across the world.

Where did Belgium refugees land in Norfolk and Suffolk during the First World War? Lowestoft and Great Yarmouth. They arrived on fishing boats.

Why are the town squares in Norwich called 'Plains' and not 'Squares'?

It is from the Dutch word 'plein'. It means open space. It was brought over by Dutch refugees in the 1500s.

What are the top five things people need in order to survive? Water, food, shelter, warmth and health care.









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Refugee Timeline

Have a look at the timeline (additional PDF). This shows some of the people coming into Britain and Norfolk following conflict or persecution in their own country (cause and effect). This could be for economic reasons or due to persecution for religious or other differences.

Each colour depicts a different conflict or period of persecution. The stripes show conflicts which overlap in date.

International and national events are labelled on the top of the timeline.



Have a look at the timeline and see if you can work out where each of these facts/ documents should go.

Have a look at the top of the timeline and think about which conflicts were taking place which led each of these groups of people to come to Norfolk.



The burials of 2 French nuns in Bodney Parish Register, Norfolk. NRO, PD 135/2



Ber Street, Norwich was known as Little Italy due to number of Italians living there.

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Queen Elizabeth's grant to 30 strangers to live and work in Norwich.



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Jewish refugee Lewis Ecker

Watch the video about Lewis Ecker, who was born in Poland, then part of Russia and fled to England, becoming a successful businessman. You can watch the video on our YouTube channel: <u>https://youtu.be/bVbgjyVsBCY</u>







Activity Get a bag (it can be your school bag or a rucksack). Imagine you are fleeing your home. You already have food and water. Choose 5 items from around the house that you would take with you and pack them in your bag. NOTE- it can't be technology. Think about what you might need for the journey, what you might need to make/get money, anything that is sentimental (if you can't find an item- draw a picture of it).

What did you choose?

What was your reasoning behind it?



Points to consider:

Lewis was persecuted due to his religion, so we know it is important to him. Would he have taken his religious book or would it have led to him being a target for further persecution

Lewis needed to make money so may have taken a sewing machine. Would he have wanted to carry it that far or would he have bought one on arrival. If he bought one on arrival where would he have got the money from.





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