

**Social Studies, Ch. 11, Lesson 4**  
**Study Guide For**  
**“Cities and Immigration”**

**Ellis Island** – an immigration station in New York City

**Angel Island** – an immigration station in San Francisco

After 1890, most immigrants came from countries in southern and Eastern Europe, such as Hungary, Italy, Greece, Poland, and Russia.

**Immigrants:**

- were often poor and had trouble finding housing
- lived in crowded, poorly built apartment buildings called **tenements**
- struggled to find jobs and made little money
- many did not speak English
- faced lots of prejudice and unfair treatment

Many Americans opposed immigration because they worried that immigrants would take their jobs. They also thought immigrants should not be able to take part in a democracy (vote) because they weren't well educated.

**The Great Migration:**

- was a time when thousands of African Americans moved north
- many found jobs in factories

**Reformers tried to change society:**

- reformers started settlement houses for the immigrants and provided food, health care and classes
- Jane Addams** founded the Hull House in Chicago
- Lillian Wald** started the Henry Street Settlement in New York City