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## CLASSROOM LAW PROJECT

## Refugee Policies

## VOCABULARY

**Directions:** Frontload (introduce and review) these vocabulary words with your students to facilitate their understanding of the topic and coinciding resources:

- 1. **Refugee** (n.) People/person who have fled war, violence, conflict or persecution and have crossed an international border to find safety in another country.
- 2. **Migrant** (n.) A person who moves from one place to another, especially in order to find work or better living conditions.
- 3. **Asylum** (n.) The protection granted by a nation to someone who has left their native country as a political refugee.
- 4. **Visa** (n.) An endorsement on a passport indicating that the holder is allowed to enter, leave, or stay for a specified period of time in a country.
- 5. **Internally Displaced Person** (n.) Persons or groups of persons who have been forced or obliged to flee or to leave their homes or places of habitual residence, in particular as a result of or in order to avoid the effects of armed conflict, situations of generalized violence, violations of human rights or natural or human-made disasters, and who have not crossed an internationally recognized border.

## CURRENT EVENT ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS

**Directions:** As you read through news and other resources about TOPIC, consider the following questions:

- > What is a refugee?
- ➤ What are key differences and similarities between a refugee, migrant and Internally Displaced Person
- ➤ What historical events since World War 2 have created the most refugees across the globe?
- ➤ How may current U.S. and some international law make it difficult for Ukrainian refugees to stay in asylum nations for long periods of time?
- ➤ How has the current refugee crisis in Ukraine, shined a light on the inequities in the refugee acceptance practices of various European countries & the United States?
- ➤ In your opinion, what responsibility do individual citizens in nations not affected by war have to refugees in other parts of the world?
- ➤ In your opinion, what responsibility does the United States and the rest of the world have to refugees?