



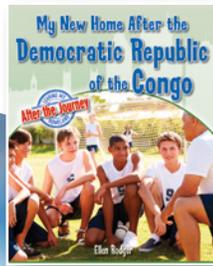
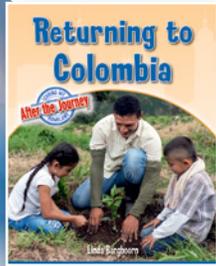
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A refugee's journey does not end after they escape conflict, persecution, and displacement in their home country. Six new titles continue the stories of fictional refugees featured in the award-winning *Leaving My Homeland* series. *After the Journey* is a thoughtful and important look at how refugee children and their families face and overcome challenges after fleeing their homelands. Each fictional story is interwoven with accessible, nonfiction text, which updates readers on the current conflict in that country and ways in which new countries offer support to newcomers. Discussion prompts at the end of each book support understanding and encourage critical thinking. Free downloadable Teacher's Guide available.

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Returning to Colombia by Linda Barghoorn

Andre's family was resettled in Ecuador after rebels stormed their village in Colombia. Although they were safe, life wasn't easy and Andre's father had a hard time finding work. Suffering discrimination in their country of refuge, and with the situation improved in Colombia since the 2016 peace deal, his family makes the decision to return home. There, they work hard to regain their life and are reunited with a brother and son who had been taken by rebels. Readers get vital insight into how some refugees return to their homelands when—and if—it is safe to do so.

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Etienne is a former child soldier from the Democratic Republic of Congo with a secret fear he will never be safe. His father and brother are missing and presumed dead. After he escapes his captors, his mother decides they have lost enough. They are lucky enough to have family in Canada and are reunited with them as refugees. The story is interspersed with facts about the trauma some refugees deal with and the uncertain welcome from countries struggling with opposition to refugees.

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Threatened by gangs and everyday violence, Benito's family flees El Salvador to an uncertain but safer life in Mexico. They are later joined by Auntie Lara, who lost a son to gang violence and joined a migrant caravan heading to the United States. The story is interwoven with details on how violence in countries whose governments no longer function make a safe life impossible, continuing the cycle of refugees heading to Central and North America.

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My New Home After Iran by Heather C. Hudak

Zahra's family left Iran because of political persecution and found a new home in Australia. She will never forget her early years as a refugee, from learning English to navigating transportation. But Zahra is now 100 percent Aussie, and keen to finish university and make her mark on her adopted home. The story includes details on how refugees contribute to their new homes culturally, socially, and financially.

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Baseema's family was nearly torn apart by the terrorist violence of Boko Haram in her homeland of Nigeria. Forced to flee their farm, they relied on friends of her father for a home and support. Still unable to return, the family moves again to Kano, the second largest city in Nigeria, and struggles to survive. Baseema's story gives a glimpse of how many refugees rely on extended networks of family and friends and how, with education disrupted, young women are often forced to marry early.

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From conflict-torn Somalia, to the massive Dadaab Refugee Camp in Kenya, and finally to a new home in Sweden, Fatuma's family is used to constant change. Still, Sweden's cold winters and difficult language have required a lot of adjustment. There is hope, but also fear. Fatuma's story gives readers a glimpse of how, even in countries that accept refugees, not everyone is fully accepting.

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From Hoping For a Home After El Salvador

Benito's Story: My New Way of Life

We spend a lot of our days thinking about Aunt Lara and her journey. Aunt Lara spoke to Mother and Father before she left home to join the migrant caravan. She was filled with hope about getting to the United States. We watched on TV as the caravan grew and approached Mexico.



This man must sleep on the ground in Mexico City. He is part of the migrant caravan.



Hola Benito! We left El Salvador two weeks ago to join the caravan. Have you seen it on the news? Soon we will cross into Mexico. We are tired and hungry. Sometimes we have been able to sleep in temporary shelters. Other times we have had to sleep outside. Some people have been so kind to us, offering us food when we pass through their village. Hope to see you soon! Cesar

This is a temporary shelter set up for the migrant caravan in Mexico City. It is very crowded. People must sleep on mats on the floor.



Mother says that some of the refugees in the caravan have given up their journey. She says they were too tired and hungry to continue. They decided to stay in Mexico and try to build a life there. But I know that even the Mexican people worry about having us here. Wherever we go now, I hear people whisper anti-refugee things about us.

Story in Numbers

The migrant caravan traveled from El Salvador to the border with the United States. This dangerous journey covered more than **2,700 miles**.

The president of the United States says there is already a crisis at their border with Mexico. He says refugees want to destroy his country. He warned the caravan to turn back. Father is frustrated. He does not know why the American government is so angry and worried about the caravan. He wonders how such a rich and powerful country...