Religion

Student Organizer 2

Religion and Immigration: Muslims in the United States and Europe

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- 1. Describe the significance of the Immigration Act of 1965. How did it contribute to America's religious diversity?
- 2. Describe the role that religion plays for immigrants in America. Explain how religious institutions can help assimilate immigrants in American society as well as help them maintain ties to their old countries.
- 3. Many new immigrants become more religious and cling to their faith more strongly after arriving in the United States. What do you think is the reason for this?
- 4. How have the established American religions reached out to the new immigrant populations?
- 5. How does the religious devotion of new immigrants affect the attitude of native born Americans toward their own religions?
- 6. Do you think immigrants should maintain the religious traditions of their countries of origins or do they need to sacrifice some aspects of their religion in order to integrate into their new country?

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