

The Wall

A Simulation for Youth and Adult Education on Migration

Complete Manual with Role Cards and Guidelines for Facilitators

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The Wall is a simulation game on finding out how the bureaucratic system within the refugee topic works. It is made for specialists who are working in the system of migration – they should take over the refugee role in order to feel how it is on the other side. It takes about 2 hours and can be used for the following learning outcomes:

Learning goals:

- Experiencing bureaucracy
- How does the system work?
- What can be changed from inside the system
- Do you have the power? Who has it?

Preparation before the game:

Before playing the game the group should be prepared for doing so. There is a possibility to play other role games for finding which person fits better in the role as refugee or in the role of guards.

If you play it right it can be emotionally hard – so be aware to take people that are ready to take over that role.

Roles distribution strategy: either INTEREST or ALLOCATION (preferably)
Distribution of roles should be done regarding results of the Language Barrier game, which need to be played in advance in order to prepare an environment for the participants.

List of roles: 21 people (7 officers – 12 refugees – 2 guards)

- I. Families
 - a. Sopranos – mama, papa, Augustina, Peter. 4
 - b. Flinstones – Wife Vilma, Husband Fred, old lady Rubble. 3
 - c. Jetsons – mama Jetson, papa Jetson 2
 - d. Obama – Mother, father, son 3
- II. Boarding officers group
 - a. Doctor 1

- b. Policemen 1
 - c. Psychologist 1
 - d. Education officer 1
- III. General officers (authorities group)
- a. Experienced professional 1
 - b. Good person with a kind heart 1
 - c. Strict general 1
- IV. Guards (2)

Rules

Act in your role

Scenario:

Refugees are kept in a tiny space with little light and guards are keeping them silent. Guards are wearing (Schlagstöcke) and are behaving strict. The refugees can just enter the offices after the guard calls them. The board office is behind closed doors and they have the power to decide what is the criteria to enter in the new country. They are making the decision alone – also if others try to influence them.

Procedure

1. Tell the story (10 min)
2. Give them their roles (10min)
3. Read their role and get into it (10 min)
4. Meet your group and create a strategy (15min)
 - a. refugees in families
 - b. officers
 - c. general board
5. Refugees meet the officers in order to pass the test (1h)
6. Decision of the board members - yes/no (10 min)
7. End of the game – get out of the roles (10 min)

2 hours in total

½ hour reflection

Materials:

- 4 Tables
- Ring golden (Obama)
- Signs and Name tags
- Walkie-Talkies
- Kamera (to film the board room for analyzing the decision making process)

Setting

3 places: dark close room for the refugee families; separated space for boards, which should have 4 tables and chairs, one for each check board; nice space for the General Officers, symbolizing the Wonderland.

Story:

Main Idea: REFUGEES are leaving DESTROY-LAND and trying to get to Wonderland.

Story: DESTROY-LAND was peaceful and friendly country once. Then the war started and people of DESTROY-LAND were forced to leave their home. You are trying to get into Wonderland because the situation in your home is terrible. You do not have food, you do not have any perspectives and you do not have anything because all your village was destroyed. You are at the boarder with families from your village. There are some you like and some you do not like at all. But the main goal is to enter the new country to set up a new life and provide a future for you and your children.

At the boarder you realize that it is not that easy to get into the new country. There are boarder controls on different characteristics – in order to pass them you have to pass different tests. You can pass the tests together with your family. Your goal is to get entrance to the new country. The game is ended when everybody gets to know if he/she is accepted in the new country. You can select for each test one of the family members who does it. So select that one with the highest possibilities to pass for every test.

Role profiles:

Families:

Sopranos (MAMA,PAPA, pregnant women and a child)

Name: Papa Soprano – HARD WORKING man who has a family of four: a daughter who is pregnant and a boy age 15 who is still in a school.

Age:57

Criminal history: you have a criminal background, but where not guilty , do not show that you have criminal records

Children: Augustina and Peter

Nationality: DESTROYLAND

Job: Builder from age 16

Health: has back problems

Political party: Democrats

Smoker: Yes

Drinking: Yes

Connections to other families: You don't like Obama family because you accuse them that they robbed your house 1 month ago – 1 golden ring disappeared – you think that it is still with them and want to get it back.

Mama Soprano -

Age:54

Children: Augustina and Peter

Criminal history: you have a criminal background, but where not guilty , do not show that you have criminal records

Nationality: DESTROYLAND

Job: Housewife

Health: You can't do any sports because you are not into them so much.

Smoker: No

Drinking: No

Connections to other families: You don't like Obama family because you accuse them that they robbed your house 1 month ago – 1 golden ring disappeared – you think that it is still wih them and want to get it back.

Augustina Soprano -

Age:27

Children: No, but she is pregnant

Nationality: DESTROYLAND

Criminal history: you have a criminal background, but where not guilty , do not show that you have criminal records

Job: Last year student

Health: You suffer from high blood pressure so you can not make any sports

Smoker: No

Drinking: No

Connections to other families: You don't like Obama family because you accuse them that they robbed your house 1 month ago – 1 golden ring disappeared – you think that it is still wih them and want to get it back.

The father of your child is Mr. Jetston – he doesn't want to declare the child because he wants to stay with his wife but he promised you to pay for you – he just can do that if both of you will be living in Wonderland.

Peter Soprano -

Age:15

Criminal history: you have a criminal background, but where not guilty , do not show that you have criminal records

Nationality: DESTROYLAND

Job: Still in school

Connections to other families: You don't like Obama family because you accuse them that they robbed your house 1 month ago – 1 golden ring disappeared – you think that it is still wih them and want to get it back.

Fred Flinston - young and strong guy, who married his wife half year ago. They are really in love. Thinking about children in nearly future.

Also, he is kind-hearted, he is trying to cross the border with old women who is a neighbor of his. Every day Fred is carrying the leftovers to the old lady Rubble.

Age: 25

Children: no children, but thinking about them

Nationality: DESTROYLAND

Criminal record: you are clean as vodka

Job: No full time job, has a part time job as a dishwasher in a popular touristical dinner place.

Health: Healthy

Political party: does not belong to any

Education: high school diploma

Smoker: No

Drinking: No

Other member: Flinstones (MAMA, PAPA, OLD lady (Rubble - neighbors))

Velma Flinstone – young girl who is in love with Fred Flinstone. She is kind-hearted and after cleaning her house she helps her neighbor – old lady Rubble.

Age: 25

Children: no children, but thinking about having one

Nationality: DESTROYLAND

Criminal record: you are clean as vodka

Job: has no job

Health: Healthy

Political party: does not belong to any

Education: scientist of medicine

Smoker: No

Drinking: No

Other family members: Flinstones (MAMA, PAPA, OLD lady (Rubble - neighbors))

OLD lady Rubble – old lady that can not really take care of herself. There are two people who help her – her neighbours – FRED AND VELMA Flinstones. She does not have any relatives that can help her.

Age: 75

Children: no children, no relatives

Nationality: DESTROYLAND

Criminal record: you are clean as vodka
Job: worked as a primary school teacher around 40 years
Health: not- Heathy
Political party: does not belong to any
Education: master degree in history, languages and filosophy
Smoker: No
Drinking: No
Other family members: Flinstones (MAMA,PAPA, OLD lady (Rubble - neighbors))

Jetsons (minorities)

Mama Jetson – Came to live in Destroy-Land 10 years ago because of political discrimination in Discrimi-Land. They learned the language of Destroy-Land, paid all taxes, where involved into volunteering projects related with handicapt children. They can not have children because of medical issues.

You are pursecuted in your country.

Age: 35

Children: none

Nationality: Discrimi-land

Job: works in a gas station

Health: Can not have children

Education: bachelor in filology

Smoker: No

Drinking: No

Family budget: 0euro

Relatives: one of the head officer has a wife who an aunt of your father-in-law

Papa Jetson - Came to live in Destroy-Land 10 years ago because of political discrimination in Discrimi-Land. They learned the language of Destroy-Land, paid all taxes, where involved into volunteering projects related with handicapt children. They can not have children because of medical issues.

Age:38

Children: none

Nationality: Discrimi-land

Job: work in a gas station

Health: Can not have children

Education: bachelor in filology

Smoker: Yes

Drinking: Yes

Family budget: 0euro

Relatives: one of the head officer has a wife who is the aunt of your wife's father in law

You and your wife can't have children that's why you decided to have an affair with daughter Soprano. You promised her to support her but just if you both enter the new country. Your wife doesn't know it and for you it would be better if Sopranos will not enter the country.

Obama's family

PAPA Obama

Age:47

Children: one - John

Nationality: DESTROYLAND

Job: Architect, good specialist at his work.

Health: healthy

Political party: does not belong to any

Education: phd architecture

Smoker: No

Drinking: YES

Connection with other families: You have a conflict with Soprano family because they accused you that you robbed their house – you did it, but want to hide it because you have a golden ring. From that robbery that you can now use in order to get easier to the new land. You want to use it to bribe an officer who can help you to enter the country. Decide which one you want to bribe. There can also be bad consequences.

Mama Obama

Age:45

Children: one - John

Nationality: DESTROYLAND

Job: Hairdresser

Health: has diabetes

Education: high-school

Smoker: No

Drinking: No

Connection with other families: You have a conflict with Soprano family because they accused you that you robbed their house – you

did it, but want to hide it because you have a golden ring. from that robbery that you can now use in order to get easier to the new land.

John Obama – he is 17 year old boy, but he is handicapt and he can't move his right arm.

He is a good student at school, but because of his disability he is not so confident like other good students.

Age:17

Children: none

Nationality: DESTROYLAND

Job: student

Health: can not move right arm

Education: not finished high school

Connection with other families: You have a conflict with Soprano family because they accused you that you robbed their house – you did it, but want to hide it because you have a golden ring. from that robbery that you can now use in order to get easier to the new land.

BORDER-OFFICERS

Doctor EUGENE JACOBSEN

He is nice and caring guy. He is asking his patients a lot of questions because he really cares for the patients.

Age:37

Children: 3 (2 boys and a girl), the youngest boy is his favorite child. But generally is really good father.

Nationality: WONDERLAND

Job: young and promising doctor

Health: has no problems with health

Education: masters in heart sickness

Smoker: No

Drinking: YES, to deal with the stress

You are a caring person and also very correct, just after your son whom you love very much got sick – you need money for the surgery and that is why you would take it from the refugees.

You try to influence the board members that your field of work is the most important and that they should make the decision according to your field. Be creative how to do so.

Police officer:

Officer Arnold Fakeson

He is strict and scary guy. He is talking with a strong tone.

Children: No Children

Wife: No Wife

Life: without work you do not have anything – so that is your only interest.

Nationality: WONDERLAND

Health: has no issues, except depression, thats why he does not smile

Education: bachelor in criminal work

Smoker: Yes

Drinking: YES

Job: police officer who checks the criminal records, he is very needy, so the criminal records should be perfect - takes no bribes. If somebody wants to bribe you, you are putting him into prison (15min timeout).

You try to influence the board members that your field of work is the most important and that they should make the decision according to your field. Be creative how to do so.

Psychologist:

Psychologist Kamila Morgan

She is mysterious and slowy talking girl

Children: Has one boy (16 years old), she broke up with her husband because he didn't like single mother

Life: wrote a loto f books of psychologist, love ice cream

Nationality: WONDERLAND

Job: gives an testo n mental health

Health: has no issues

Political party: no political

Education: master in physiology

Smoker: Yes

Drinking: YES

You try to influence the board members that your field of work is the most important and that they should make the decision according to your field. Be creative how to do so.

Education officer:

Education officer: Pamela Willis

Age: 54

Children: Has 5 children

Life: Has a perfect life, has a passion for working with people, very communitive, always with the smile

Nationality: WONDERLAND

Health: can not hear so much, every 10th word you can't understand

Education: master in teaching

Your task: You are the officer and give every family a test and do not help them filling it out. The guard 1 will bring you the people and the guard 2 will bring the formulas which you fill out to the board room.

You try to influence the board members that your field of work is the most important and that they should make the decision according to your field. Be creative how to do so.

Guard 1:

Name: Chris Torita

Age: 50

Children: Your task is to bring the formulas from the officers to the general board. And protect the door of the General board. Refugees can't pass you, officers can pass. You are strict and do not tolerate any exeption – just if a young nice lady comes you maybe make an exception for a kiss. Also money makes you opening the door for people who are not supposed to go there at first.

Guard 2:

Name: Augustino Herasso

Age: 36

Your task is to bring refugees to the officers. So you are responsible that every family is meeting the officers. One representative from each family needs to go to pass the tests. So call them to the officers and make sure they are leaving the room after their meeting. You are strict and do not tolerate talking in the room. Furthermore you behave like a real guard and you tell the families that you will put them in prison when they are getting too loud and speak a lot.

General Officer 1:

Name: Grant Haley

Age: 65

Works in politics for about 30 years, makes his decisions with strict logic: what is better for his country's well-being and sustainable development of economics. Usually do not let his feeling affect the way he thinks.

Today you are in a bad mood, because he had an argument with his wife. You are in power – you can go wherever you want and do whatever you want. You even can reorder the whole system.

General Officer 2:

Name: Agatha Marine

Age: 31

Agatha is new in the General Officers board. She is in favor of human right protection and full of ambitions to make her country a better place. She believes that new blood and young people are able to create a new image of the Wonderland.

You are in power – you can go wherever you want and do whatever you want. You even can reorder the whole system.

General Officer 3:

Name: Max Kramer

Age: 45

With his military past, Max Kramer is strict and follows the orders. His main priorities are the discipline and law. For him everyone who can carry the gun and protect the Wonderland if there is a need should enter the country.

You are in power – you can go wherever you want and do whatever you want. You even can reorder the whole system.

Your wife just called and told you that one of your family members is among the refugees. You have to find out who that is and convince the other board members that the criterias for letting them in are in favour to their profile.

**Checklist 1:
Doctor**

1) Make as many sit-ups you can do.

0 sit ups: 1 point

1-10 sit ups: 10 point

10-50 sit ups: 30 points

50 and more sit ups: 50 points

How many squats can you do?

1-10 sit ups: 1 point

0-20 squats: 10 point

21-50 squats: 30 points

51 and more squats: 50 points

2) Medical investigation – every problem reduces the points for 10

a. Smoker:

b. High Blood pressure:

c. Heart disease:

d. Diabetes:

e. Pregnancy:

TOTAL NUMBER: _____ Points

Bring the formular to the head office if you are ready.

**Checklist 2:
Educational officer**

- 3) Which education do you have? For every year of education you get 10 points
- a. No education (0 points)
 - b. 4 years of education (40 points)
 - c. Non finished Bachelor (50 points)
 - d. bachelors degree (70 points)
 - e. masters degree (90 points)
 - f. #++

神

- 4) Read the following word:
If you can pronounce it right way you will get 40 points

TOTAL NUMBER: _____ Points
Bring the formular to the head office if you are ready.

Checklist 3:
General office

1. కుటుంబం పేరు మరియు పేరు
2. Viimeisin osoite
3. Mode ak kote la antre nan peyi a
4. Ghaliex titlob ghall-azilju?
5. Hefur þú áður lögð hæli umsókn?
Vinsamlegast gefið upplýsingar um landið, dagsetningar og ástæðum.
6. Imate li rodjake ili prijatelje u ovoj/ove zemlji. Ako imate,navedite imena i adresu
7. ما هي اللغات التي تتكلمها
وما هي مستوى ثقافتك

Fill this out and give it to the first officer whom you meet.

TOTAL NUMBER: _____ Points
Bring the formular to the head office if you are ready.

Checklist 4

Police officer

Citizenship:

Criminal background:

Persecution:

Did you serve in the army?

Did you commit a crime?

Gestures and language (nervous or relaxed?):

TOTAL NUMBER: _____ Points
Bring the formular to the head office if you are ready.

Checklist 5

Psychologist

Tell the family that they should vote for one representative to fill out that test:

And tell them that they are not allowed to help each other. They have 5 min. for the test.

How much is phi $\Phi\phi$ $\Phi\phi$? (20 points)

What does that sign make to a note # in a musical piece? (10 points)

Create 4 triangle with 3 pens. (70 points)

TOTAL NUMBER: _____ Points
Bring the formular to the head office if you are ready.

General Information for all refugees:

- if you passed all the tests then your case will be brought to the general assembly and they decide if you are let into the country.
- there could be some officers who are corrupted but if you find the wrong ones that will have really bad consequences on you.
- Get to know the other family members – the officers can ask you about them.

In order to get the entrance in the new country all these formulas have to be given to the general office:

- **Checklist 1: Doctor**
- **Checklist 2: Education Officer**
- **Checklist 3: General Office**
- **Checklist 4: Police Officer**
- **Checklist 5: Psychologist**

General information for the Officers

Find your office and make the checks with the families.

Ask the refugees for the general formular – checklist 3 before you begin your checklist.

You are at the boarder control and have a specific topic where you check the refugees. Not all of them can enter your country. You are supervised by the General Office that can give you orders. Your task is to fill out the checklists according to information you get from the families. Give them points according to their answers – the last decision if they can enter the country is made by the general office.

After finishing one form you have to bring it to the general office.

Families can try to bribe you – but if they do so sent them to prison (15 min timeout next to the toilet).

**Background information for the police officer:
Information about families:**

The family Sopranos are suspicious – you should ask more question about the father Soprano who has good connection to the armee (special forces) of the country where he comes from.

Background information for the psychologist:

Prepare 3 pens for your test

Answers:

Phi is 3,1420

It makes the sound half note higher.

You have to put them to stand.

Background information for the general office

You can decide who can get in and who can not – you should agree on the criteria. It is in your hands – which criteria you make for the game – you can e.g. decide that the doctoral test is the most important, you can say that police record is the most important...

You can award 2 families the passing card and 2 families the rejection card – according to the performance of the family.

Key for the formular:

{schen} – god in chinese

1. Tulugul: Name and First Name
2. Finish: Adress
3. Haitian: Mode and place of entry into the country
4. Maltese: Why do you ask for Asylum?
5. Islandic: Have you previously submitted an asylum application?
Please give details of the country, dates and reasons.
6. Serbian: Do you have any relatives in that country? If so give us the name and Adress.
7. Arabic: Which languages do you speak?

ACTION CARD (Soprano family gets 2 and the Obama Family get one)

You can use that card for bribing an officer – you can decide which one – if you give it the wrong one – you will be put to prison (15 min timeout) , but if you find a right one – it can help you.

ACTION CARD (Jetstons)

Use your family connections. The wife of one of the general officer is aunt of father in law.

ACTION CARD (Board member)

Board members go on strike and let the refugees wait for 15 min.

De-briefing stage

1. Feeling part

Divide the groups in their role-part (guards, families, general board). Give them questions regarding their feelings.

Mix the groups with guard, families and general board tell them to talk about the decision making process.

How were you feeling during the game?

Which decisions were made?

What was especially difficult while playing your role?

How powerful did you feel in that role?

Step out of the role.

2. Learning part

How did the system work?

What have you learned from this game?

Do you think you know already how refugees/ border officers/ officials feel about being on their places?

How much do you think this situation is connected with the reality?

According to the role you played, what do you think can be changed for these people in reality?

Use tools for seeing the structures that were working in the

Whom did you feel connected to?