



Activity 2: Homework Learn about the Cuban immigration experience and the push-pull factors for moving to the United States. Read Harvest of Empire pages 108-113 to learn about Cubans as special refugees; then respond to the following questions. 2.1 Define the following terms that will be useful in class discussions about Cuban immigration. balseros diaspora emigration/immigration exile refugee Bay of Pigs Cuban Adjustment Act of 1966 Cuban Migration Agreement of 1994 **Cuban Missile Crisis** Operation Pedro Pan wet foot/ dry foot policy 2.2 What were the 5 waves of Cuban immigration to the United States? When did they come? What was the socio-economic background of each group? What was the racial composition of each group? What was the immigrant's political philosophy? a.

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| 2.3 How did Cuban emigration differ from that of the Haitians or Dominicans? |
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| 2.4 Why did President Clinton stop the special treatment of Cuban refugees in 1994? |
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| 2.5 Explain why sociologist Alejandro Portes said, "Few immigrant groups have commenced their economic adaptation to American life from a position of such relative advantage." |
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| 2.6 How did the Cuban-Americans support each other? |
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| 2.7 How did the American reception of Cuban refugees change over time? Explain your answer. |
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