

Refugees



What Is a Refugee?

A refugee is a person who leaves the country they live in. They go and live in another country.

Until a person gets refugee status they cannot stay in the new country permanently.

Why Do People Become Refugees?

People become refugees because they feel unsafe in their home country. This can be because of different reasons, including war or natural disasters. During the Second World War, it is thought that over sixty million people became refugees. It was not safe for them to stay where they lived.



The Story of a Refugee

Sarin was forced to leave her home in Bangladesh. Her family had to leave because of fighting in the village. They fled in small, wooden boats to Malaysia.

A Famous Refugee

Mo Farah is a famous runner who has won four Olympic medals. He was born in Somalia.

He came to England when he was eight years old and could speak very little English.



Questions

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