

Volunteers: Cliff

Students: Mika, Kathy, Yoko, Hyunju, Jing, Rainbow

From Cliff:

We read and discussed the second part of the Dreamers article. We talked a lot about immigration and immigrants (documented and otherwise). I detest the term illegal immigrant. I am the son and grandson of undocumented immigrants. I told the class this and pointed out that probably until the 1920s, people could walk across the Canadian border into the U.S or take a ferry boat without any registration or documentation. The Mexican border was just as open if not more so.

I brought in some new pictures (from calendars) and we did the “explain the picture” exercise after the break. You really can see the differences in spoken English ability that way.

Mika read well, but had trouble with the “explain the picture” exercise and had to look up stuff on her I-phone. Kathy was a better reader than a picture describer as well.