

NATURALIZATION ADVENTURE. . .

Everyone's citizenship story is different: some people apply for citizenship as adults, some are born citizens, and others become citizens when as children when their parents apply for citizenship on their behalf.



Citizens have the right to vote, to easily enter and leave the United States, to run for political office, and have all the rights afforded in the U.S. Constitution, including the Bill of Rights. Citizens also have many duties and responsibilities, such as paying taxes performing jury duty are just two examples of these responsibilities.

Naturalized citizens are people who are born as citizens of other countries and choose to become Americans. The story on the back of this sheet will help you discover the steps to becoming a citizen. But your version will have some surprises!

First, fill out the list below to add some silliness to the serious business of becoming a citizen.

1. Your least favorite vegetable: _____
2. Item of clothing: _____
3. Color: _____
4. Type of funny hat: _____
5. Type of animal: _____
6. Famous person's name: _____
7. Type of animal from answer #5: _____
8. Number: _____
9. Exercise activity: _____
10. Silly name: _____
11. Silly action: _____

Next, transfer your answers to the story on the back of this sheet.

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Today I woke up filled with excitement. This is a big day for me and for my family—it's my naturalization day! To prepare myself, I ate a big breakfast of _____, put on my lucky _____, put on my favorite _____, to make sure I looked good for all of our pictures. On the drive to the ceremony, we saw a large _____ in the street blocking traffic. Suddenly, _____ showed up to move the _____ out of the way. I'm thankful that we made it to the ceremony on time. I couldn't believe my eyes; there must have been _____ people in the street cheering! I was so excited that my hands were shaking. I probably looked as if I had just finished _____ to anyone else. After they called my name, _____, I stood up and knew it was my turn. I raised my hand, and took my oath of allegiance to the United States. _____. When they gave me my naturalization certificate, I _____ for joy. Now I'm officially a citizen! I am so happy to have shared this day with every one I love!