

My grandfather came from Mexico legally to find a job and seek better opportunities. He later went back to Mexico with his earnings to help his family. My mother and father also immigrated to the U.S. However, they did so illegally. My parents got jobs and eventually became legal citizens. My parents came to seek better opportunities and a more prosperous life. Because of their accomplishments, I have a great life today. I now appreciate and realize the struggles people go through to better their lives.



The U.S.-Mexico border (Source: *Wikimedia Commons*)

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