# **NEWS BREAK**

Sunday's News Break selects an article from Sunday, September 18, 2016 of The Seattle Times e-Edition for an in-depth reading of the news. Read the selected article and answer the attached study questions. Please remember to always preview the content of the article before sharing with your students.

Article: 'Open borders' cost U.S. lives, Trump says in Houston visit (Main, A6)

**Pre-Reading and Vocabulary** 

• What is your prior knowledge about Trump's stance on immigration? What are your initial thoughts about it?

Vocabulary: Match the words to the numbered definitions in the chart below.

A. abandon	to express an unfavorable or adverse judgment on; indicate strong disapproval of; censure
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B. amnesty	2. the movement of non-native people into a country in order
	to settle there
C. condemn	3. to stir up or provoke to action
D. enforce	4. a searching examination or investigation; minute inquiry;
	surveillance; close and continuous watching or guarding
E. evoke	5. general emotional or intellectual attitude
F. immigration	6. to give up; discontinue; withdraw from
G. incite	7. a solemn promise, pledge, or personal commitment
H. scrutiny	8. to call up or produce (memories, feelings, etc.)
I. stance	9. a general pardon for offenses, especially political
	offenses, against a government, often granted before any trial or conviction
J. vow	10. to put or keep in force; compel obedience to

#### Comprehension

- 1. What did Donald Trump, who has made a hardline stance on immigration a centerpiece of his presidential campaign, say on Saturday?
- 2. Is Trump proposing a pathway to legal status for illegal immigrants living in the country? What is he proposing to do?
- 3. Sanders, the Vermont senator, praised his former Democratic rival's agenda as the right choice for millennial and union voters and said those who are turned off by their choices in the election should still turn out, even if they think what?
- 4. Sanders told gatherers at the University of Akron and Kent State that Republican Donald Trump's statements against Muslims, women, Mexicans and other groups threaten to unravel what?
- 5. Sanders also promoted Clinton's positions on what important issues?

#### **Group Discussion Questions or Extension Essay Questions:**

He told a gathering of the Remembrance Project that, "All across this country, diningroom tables have an empty seat because the government abandoned its duty and has not enforced its basic laws."

He told the group, which was founded to remember those killed by people living illegally in the U.S. and to press for tougher laws, "This has to end. This will end if I become president."

• Do you agree with Trump's statement above? Why or why not?

Clinton's campaign manager, Robby Mook, released a statement saying Trump "has a pattern of inciting people to violence. Whether this is done to provoke protesters at a rally or casually or even as a joke, it is an unacceptable quality in anyone seeking the job of commander in chief."

Do you agree with Mook's statement above? Why or why not?

Sanders told gatherings at the University of Akron and Kent State that Republican Donald Trump's statements against Muslims, women, Mexicans and other groups threaten to unravel decades of work to improve equality.

"We can't in 2016 accept bigotry as the cornerstone of any campaign," he said.

• Do you think Trump's statements threaten equality and justice for all? Why or why not?

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## Newsbreak Answer Key: September 18, 2016

## Vocabulary

- A. 6
- B. 9
- C. 1
- D. 10
- E. 8
- F. 2
- G. 3
- H. 4
- I. 5
- J. 7

## **Comprehension Questions**

- 1. "Not one more American life should be given up in the name of open borders."
- 2. He is not proposing a pathway to legal status for people living in the country illegally but has backed away from his call for the mass deportation of millions of people who have not committed crimes beyond their immigration offenses. He also ruled out what he dismissed as "amnesty," saying those who want to live legally in the U.S. will need to leave and head to the back of the line in their home countries.
- 3. "Everybody's horrible."
- 4. Decades of work to improve equality.
- 5. Sanders also promoted Clinton's positions on climate change, a minimum-wage increase and tuition-free public college.