

## Scenarios

1	<b><i>Prologue: Catholics in Early New York</i></b>	The first church in New York City is built – St. Peter’s. Write home to your grandfather in Ireland about this event. Why is this such an important step for New York City?
2	<b><i>A Catholic Community Takes Form</i></b>	The first church in New York City is built – St. Peter’s. Write home to your grandfather in Germany about this event. Why is this such an important step for New York City?
3	<b><i>New Arrivals</i></b>	You are a teenager who has just arrived at New York harbor on a ship. It was a long, bumpy ride from Italy. How do you feel when you leave the ship? What sounds do you hear? What do you smell? What are your concerns?
4	<b><i>Family, Parish, and Community</i></b>	Imagine you are a child from Germany who has just arrived in New York. You want to make friends with the other children in your parish. Write home to your Aunt about a social event you attended that was organized by your parish.
5	<b><i>Jobs</i></b>	You’ve recently landed on the shores of New York City from Italy. In Italy you were a farmer and you quickly notice there is not much farmland in the city. Write home to your mother about the different public works projects going on in New York City and which one you want to work on and why?
6	<b><i>A Catholic Childhood</i></b>	Imagine yourself in one of the murals. Write to a friend in Chicago about what daily life is like for you. Describe where you go to school, what you and your friends do for fun, what interesting things are happening in New York at the time, etc...
7	<b><i>Emigrant Industrial Savings Bank</i></b>	You have just earned your first paycheck working as a seamstress downtown in a laundry shop. Write to your sister in Ireland about what you did with your first paycheck and how the bank helped you.

8	<b><i>Healing Communities</i></b>	Write a letter to your family about your experience trying to get treatment in a hospital before St. Vincent's opened.
9	<b><i>A Cathedral in the City of New York</i></b>	Imagine your parents brought you to the fair. Describe how you feel walking into the Cathedral and what you did while you there.
10	<b><i>Education</i></b>	Imagine you are an immigrant child entering a new school for the first time. How do you feel on this day?
11	<b><i>Politics</i></b>	Imagine you are an Irish Catholic family man that has come to New York City in the early 1800s. Write a letter to your brother back in Ireland telling him what you did once you heard President Lincoln's call for volunteers.
12	<b><i>Politics</i></b>	Write a postcard to your cousin in Ireland explaining how a Tammany Hall leader helped you get your job. What do you do for work? What did you do for the Boss in gratitude for your position?
13	<b><i>The New Catholic New York</i></b>	It is 1945 and you have just come home from fighting in World War II. Your wife and children have been living in a small apartment in the Lower East Side. You have heard about the GI Bill and decide to apply. Write to your brother in Arizona about what you plan to do with your benefits.
14	<b><i>Arriving From San Juan</i></b>	It is 1946 and you and your family have just moved from Puerto Rico to New York City. Imagine you have ridden on airplane, heard a new language, and eaten new foods all for the first time. Write home to your Aunt and tell her about your new experiences in the city.