



Irish Immigration (8.6.3)

Background:

The Irish arrived in the United States in the 1840s because of the potato famine. Anti-Irish sentiment was high as many Americans feared that the Irish were not loyal to their new country.

Prompt:

Were the Irish considered “white” in the 19th Century?

Task:

In a well thought out response:

- State a claim in response to the prompt, using the prompt as a sentence stem.
- Support your claim using at least three pieces of evidence from the documents.
 - Be sure to explain why the evidence you selected supports your claim.
- Incorporate an additional piece of evidence that argues against your claim.
 - Use this additional piece of evidence as the basis for a counterclaim