

Of Lives Uprooted in ABOUT WAR

This 9 minute animated NFB film illustrates the experiences of war from the perspective of refugee children. ***Of Lives Uprooted*** describes the violence of the civil wars in El Salvador and Guatemala and young people's lives as refugees in Honduras and Mexico.

Study the photos of the 3 children which appear at the end of the film first.

1. Begin by showing these 3 photos with no explanation and no sound. Set up the film so that the words below the screen cannot be seen. Turn off the sound. Find the first photo of a child at 8:43 minutes
Stop the film. Direct students to study this child closely; in pairs or fours, share their thoughts.
2. Advance the film to 8:50 minutes and stop at the photo of the second child. Again, study this child closely; in pairs or fours, share their thoughts.
3. Finally, advance the film to 9:01. Look at the third child. Only his eyes are shown. Ask the students to imagine what he is thinking.
4. Then go to the beginning to watch the 9 minute film.
5. Return to the photos of the three children at the end of the film. Direct students to share their new thoughts in their original pairs or groups of four.

Return to the results of THINK-PUZZLE-EXPLORE

Did you solve any of the puzzles while watching or reflecting on the film?