

★ ★ FREEDOM ★ ★

What is it?

FREEDOM IS A BROAD TERM that can cover everything from the freedom to eat ice cream on a rainy day to the freedom to say crazy things. Freedom is the power people have to do what they want without anyone stopping them.

To the millions of immigrants who came to America, freedom was very important. Many of these immigrants came from countries where their governments told them what to say, what to believe and what to do. If they didn't follow these strict rules, their government would make them pay money or put them in jail. These immigrants desperately wanted the freedom to live their own lives and to make their own choices. America represented the land where that kind of freedom would be possible.

1. Think about what freedom means to you. What freedoms do you have in your life? What freedoms do you not have?

2. Do you think it would be a good idea for everyone to be free do whatever they want, no matter what? Why or why not?
