**Enrique’s Journey Workshop, University of New Mexico, 4/24/2015**

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**Teaching Themes and Resources**

**The most direct theme is Unaccompanied Minor Migration**

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<http://www.newsweek.com/operators-americas-largest-immigrant-detention-center-have-history-inmate-293632>

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