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Answer the following questions in your own words.

1. Why do refugees leave their home country ? Give reasons. _____

2. How many official refugees and internally displaced people are there in the world today ? _____
3. What is the difference between a refugee and a displaced person? _____

4. Which countries are most affected by the refugee crisis? _____

5. Where have Afghani refugees moved to in the last few years? _____

6. Where in Europe is there currently a refugee crisis? _____
7. Name at least two groups of people who do not have their own state. _____

8. What is the Geneva convention? _____

9. What does the UNHCR do? _____

10. What are economic immigrants? _____

11. Name examples of refugee movements during the Middle Ages ! _____

12. Which country did Armenians flee from in the 20th century? _____
13. What happened during the Russian Revolution? _____

14. Why did two million Chinese flee from their country after World War II? Where did they go to ? _____

15. What happened when India became independent? _____

16. What stopped East Germans from escaping to West Germany? _____

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Match the words on the left with the definitions on the right.

A	citizen			mix with other people
B	dictatorship			if you have lost your home and have to move somewhere else in your own country
C	flee			protection given to you by country because you have escaped from a war or conflict
D	genocide			to treat someone in a violent or unfriendly way because they think differently or have a different religion
E	agree			line between two countries
F	displaced			to start living in a place
G	law			out of your own free will
H	persecute			a person who lives in a country and has rights there
I	border			to start living in a place
J	income			to share the same opinion
K	integrate			the mass murder of a whole group of people
L	voluntarily			only for a short time
M	settle			starting point ; from where you come
N	origin			the rules of a country
O	asylum			escape a dangerous situation
P	civil war			to make someone leave a country
Q	drought			armed conflict between two or more groups in the same country
R	temporary			country in which one person has all the power
S	expel			money you get for the work you do
T	settle			long period of very dry weather with little or no rain

REFUGEES – EXERCISES

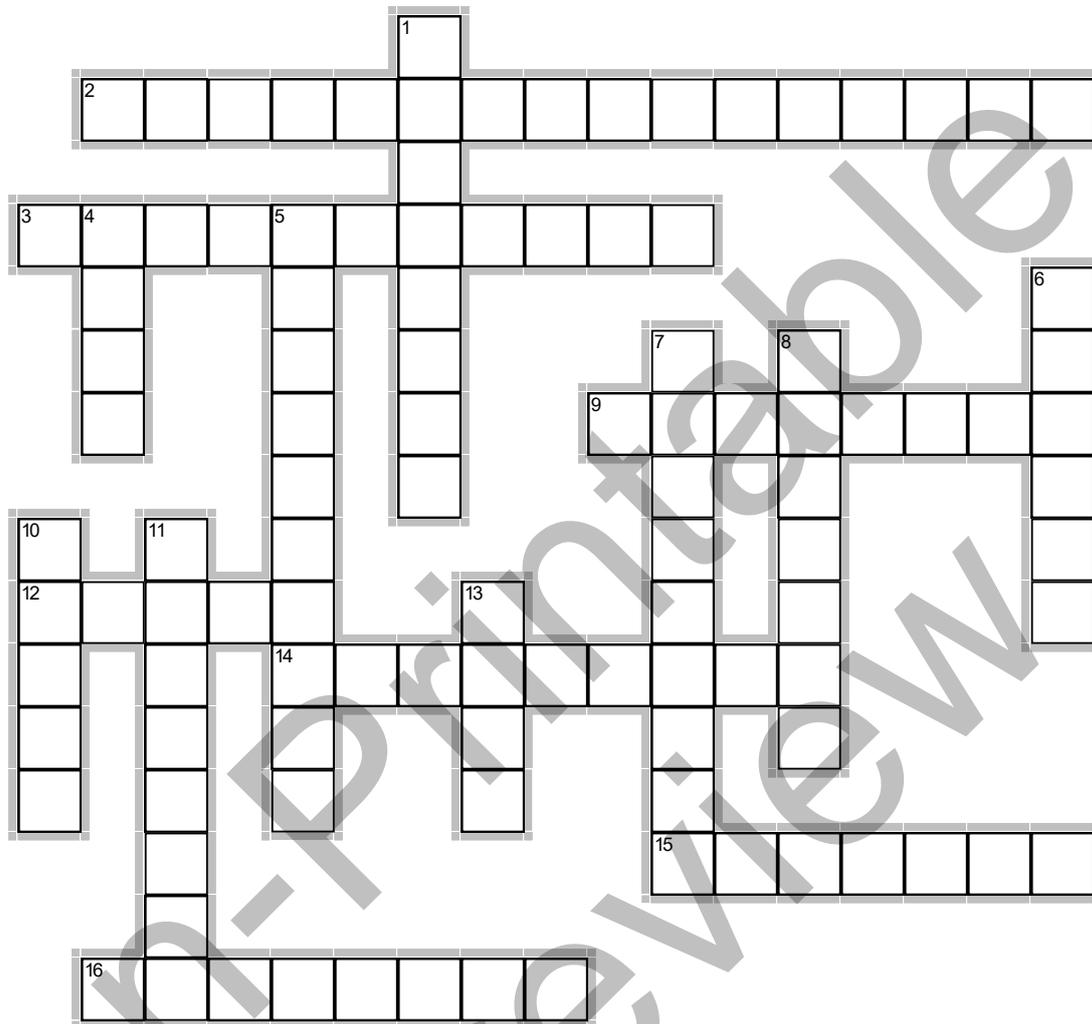
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Match the beginnings of the sentences with the endings. There are **TWO** endings you will not need.

A	Millions of refugees have fled their homes
B	Most of the refugees around the world
C	In many cases refugees
D	The Kurds and Palestinians are people
E	Refugees and homeless people
F	The UNHCR helps refugees
G	Economic immigrants leave their country
H	During the Middle Ages people fled their homes
I	During World War II
J	During the Cold War 3 million East Germans
K	When India became independent
L	Millions of Chinese fled to Hong Kong and Taiwan
M	5 million Ukrainians have lost their homes

	to go back to their home country
	to find work and a better life somewhere else
	are protected by the Geneva Convention
	are expelled by other countries
	millions of Hindus and Muslims had to cross borders
	who do not have their own state
	over 50 million people were displaced in Europe
	because they fear persecution from governments
	since the outbreak of the war in 2022
	because of religious reasons
	flee to Africa to escape persecution
	come from Africa and the Middle East
	when the Communists took over
	find a new home in another country
	escaped to the west

Crossword



Across

2. international law that protects refugees
3. country in Asia with a large number of refugees
9. conflict between two or more groups of people who live in the same country (2 words)
12. organization that tries to protect the rights of refugees (short form)
14. mix with other people and live together with them
15. long period of dry weather with little or no rain
16. the mass murder of a whole group of people

Down

1. new state that was founded when India became independent
4. escape from a dangerous situation
5. time during which thousands of people protested in northern Africa and the Middle East (2 words)
6. line between two countries
7. if you have lost your home and have to move somewhere else in your own country
8. person who lives in a country and has rights there
10. group of people without a state in northwestern Asia
11. not enough of something
13. religious group that has often been persecuted in history

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Fill in the blanks with the words from the box. There are THREE words you will not need.

Refugees are people who have (1) _____ their home country because of wars, political conflicts or for religious reasons. Internally (2) _____ people have lost their home, but they (3) _____ in their own country.

In the past years millions of people have (4) _____ danger in Syria, Afghanistan and the Horn of Africa—places where (5) _____ have been going on for many years. About 5 million Ukrainians have become homeless since the war with Russia started in 2022. All in all, over 100 people are thought to be (6) _____ around the world.

Refugees are protected by international (7) _____. The Geneva Convention makes sure that refugees have basic (8) _____ and do not have to return to the country they have escaped from. The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) helps refugees find a country to stay in or makes it possible for them to return to their home country after the political situation there has (9) _____ down.

Refugee movements have always been a part of history. In the Middle Ages religious groups left their homeland because they were (10) _____. During the Communist revolution in Russia over a million people left their country because they remained (11) _____ to the tsar.

The greatest refugee movement in history took place during World War II. Jews who escaped the gas chambers of the Nazis fled to America and other countries. When India became (12) _____ from Great Britain in 1947 over 20 million people had to cross (13) _____ because they were living in the wrong place.

During the Cold War over three million East Germans escaped to the West. In 1961, this refugee (14) _____ was halted when the Communists built the Berlin Wall.

borders
calmed
commissioner
conflicts
displaced
escaped
fled
homeless
independent
law
loyal
movement
persecuted
political
protected
remain
rights