

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS

Roles: Immigrant, Police Officer/ICE

Part 1

Officer pounds on door.

Immigrant: ¿Quién es?

Officer: Police! Open up!!!

Immigrant opens the door and police with ICE badge barges in.

Officer: Do you have papers? ¿PAPELES?

Immigrant very confused, doesn't know what to do.

Officer: You're under arrest! Handcuffs immigrant and looks at audience members. I bet you're all illegal! You're all under arrest! ¡Todos son ilegales! ¡A todos me los voy a llevar!

FIN

Reflection with audience:

What did you see? Why should you not allow the police to enter your house? What are your rights? If you are arrested, do you have to answer their questions?

Ok, we're going to incorporate your suggestions. Watch again.

Part 2

Officer pounds on door.

Immigrant: ¿Quién es?

Officer: Police! Open up!!!

Immigrant – ¿Tiene una orden judicial?

Officer – A warrant? Of course we do!

Immigrant – Por favor, pásela por debajo de la puerta. Give me under the door please.

Examines warrant, Says out loud to self:

Chin, tiene mi nombre y mi dirección, it has my name and address. También tiene una firma y selllo – it also has a signature and stamp. ¡Es válido, hijole! Tengo miedo. What should I do? ¿La deajo entrar? Should I let her in?

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Audience: NOOO!!!

Immigrant: Ahorita salgo. Hold on, I'm coming out.

Officer interrogating: When were you born? When did you arrive in this country? Where do you work? Who all lives here? Do you have papers? ¿Papeles?

Immigrant (handing card to officer)

I am giving you this card because I do not wish to speak to you or have any further contact. I choose to exercise my right to remain silent and to refuse to answer your questions. I want to speak with a lawyer before answering your questions.

THE END

Review main points with audience: Why should you not allow the police to enter your house? What are your rights? If you are arrested, do you have to answer their questions?