Immigration is one of the most device of issues in the country including the battle over the so-called dreamers. But you may not have heard that concern of our immigration policy has led to a surge in applications for citizenship among those currently holding green cards. And some of those seeking to become full citizens are getting help from an unlikely source, using Americana to help create Americans.

So, this was the United States in its entirety, in the beginning, this is how it started as a country.

On the bottom floor of New York city's oldest museum, groups of immigrants are working to become American citizens, they range in age, origin and inspiration.

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\*discussion\* "How long have you been in America?" "Fifty-seven (57) years." "Wow! So why now?" "Because I want to vote."

Green card holders like Ingrid Kaminsky are part of the citizenship project. The free six-week course uses artefacts from the New York historical society to help students pass the civic test, required to become a citizen.

"The Louisiana purchase okay? So, how would you describe the Louisiana purchase? It is large, right?"

In the classroom, a map shows how the Louisiana purchase doubled the size of the United States. But the real lesson happens at the exhibit. A red stain on the official document signed by Napoleon.

\*discussion\* "It's not blood, what else is red and popular in France?" "Wine" "Wine! Very good! This is a wine stain on the Louisiana purchase original document!"

These details add humanity to the history. Which might just help students pass the test.