

**PART A***Sharpening Your Word Choices*

On his trip to Italy, Marcus visited a ~~big~~ castle built in the 1300s. As he strolled up to the castle, ~~big~~ statues of former rulers greeted him. Inside, he was awed by the ~~big~~ rooms. Outside, the castle was surrounded by ~~big~~ gardens.

**PART B***Polishing Your Sentences (Sentence Combining)*

1. Start: Many people in Union City are immigrants.

Add: The immigrants are from Cuba.

Create: *Many people in Union City are*  
*Cuban immigrants.*

2. Start: Life in Union City is an adjustment for them.

Add: The adjustment is huge.

Create: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**3. Start:** They had to leave many belongings behind.

**Add:** Their belongings are precious.

**Create:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**4. Start:** However, they feel very welcome in their country.

**Add:** Their country is new.

**Create:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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