**Words to Know: Scams Against Immigrants**

(Basic / Beginning)

Teacher: Edit this handout to include only the 6-8 words you need or want to emphasize with your learners.

| Word | Example Sentence |
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| accredited representative | An accredited representative can help you with immigration. |
| address | Make sure the website address ends with .gov. |
| advice | An accredited representative can give you advice. |
| application | You may want to check on your application. |
| authorize | The government authorizes people to help you. |
| avoid | I want to avoid scams in the immigration process. |
| birth certificate | Do not let anyone keep your birth certificate. |
| blank | Do not sign a form that is blank. |
| build | The government builds cases against scammers. |
| case | The government is building a case against that scammer. |
| chance | You have a chance to immigrate legally. |
| charge | Notarios charge a fee but cannot help you. |
| check on | You may want to check on your application. |
| citizen | You might need help to become a citizen. |
| community | Some people in your community may have experience with immigration. |
| complaint | I sent in a complaint about a scam. |
| complicated | Immigration can be complicated. |
| copy | Keep a copy of every form. |
| correctly | An immigration lawyer can handle your forms correctly. |
| cost | Scams can cost you money. |
| difficult | The immigration process can be difficult. |
| document | Your birth certificate is an important document. |
| experience | That lawyer has experience with immigration. |
| false | This form has false information. |
| fee | A notario charges a fee to help you. |
| figure out | You need to figure out what to do. |
| form | Do not sign a form that is blank. |
| frustrating | The immigration process can be frustrating. |
| government | Government forms are free. |
| handle | The lawyer can handle your immigration forms correctly. |
| honest | An honest person might offer to help you. |
| hurt | A notario can hurt your chances. |
| illegal | Immigration scams are illegal. |
| immigration | The immigration process can be difficult. |
| information | You can get immigration information from the government. |
| investigator | Your information can help the investigator. |
| keep | Always keep your original documents. |
| lawyer | A notario is not a lawyer. |
| legal | A lawyer can give you legal help. |
| letter | You may get a letter from the government. |
| meeting | A lawyer can handle your meetings correctly. |
| notario | A notario cannot give you legal help. |
| notary public | A notary public is not a lawyer. |
| offer | Honest people may offer to help you. |
| original | Always keep your original birth certificate yourself. |
| passport | Do not let someone else keep your passport. |
| process | I want to avoid scams in the immigration process. |
| receipt | You will get a receipt when you turn in your forms. |
| report | Report the scam to the FTC. |
| represent | A person who represents you cannot charge a fee. |
| ruin | A notario might ruin your chance to become a citizen. |
| scam | Immigration scams are illegal. |
| scammer | The government builds cases against scammers. |
| target | Some scams target immigrants. |
| translate | A friend can translate for you. |
| turn in | Keep a copy when you turn in your form. |