

Before You Watch **Discussion Questions**

1. The name of the episode is *Sonam's Mom*. That's right, it's about someone named Sonam and his mom. Let's talk about moms for a moment. Maybe some of you are mothers. But let's talk about *your* mothers. Does anybody here live with their moms? Did you come to New York together?
2. Let's talk about families, not just moms. How many people in our class came to New York with your family?
3. How many came here alone?
4. If you came alone, did you eventually reunite with your family? How did it happen?
5. What was it like to be reunited with someone in your family whom you didn't see for a long time?

Let's watch *Sonam's Mom* and learn their stories.

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Discussion Questions

Notary vs. Lawyer

- What is the difference between a notary and a lawyer? What does a notary do? What does a lawyer do? Why do you think free immigration legal help is important?

Give students page 18 in the Study Guide, which has definitions of notary and lawyer.

notary: *a person who does some official functions, such as validating signatures, but is not the same as a lawyer and is not authorized to give immigration legal advice or to represent you as a lawyer*

lawyer: *an attorney; a trained and licensed legal professional who can give advice and represent you in legal matters*

IDNYC—an ID Card for all New Yorkers

The lawyer talks about the IDNYC card. An IDNYC is an ID card for all New Yorkers, with or without immigration papers.

- What are the benefits of an IDNYC card? How can you get one?

The American Dream

The American Dream is not only a cheeseburger deluxe.

- What do you think the American Dream is? How can you achieve it?