**Partner Talk: Scams Against Immigrants**

(Low Intermediate and Above)

Teacher: Edit this handout to include only the 10-12 words you need or want to emphasize with your learners.

| Word | | Example Sentence | | Partner Talk 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. | |  | |