

Appendix 1 – Hand out “MARY’S STORY”

● She was given drugs and was badly abused.
● But she was escorted there and back every day and was never allowed to go anywhere on her own.
● She wasn’t allowed to go and see a doctor when she was ill or hurt.
● When she was about 17 years old, she was persuaded to go to the USA with the promise that she would have a better life and be provided with a job.
● She was given a job at a factory packing vegetables.
● However, when she arrived in the USA her life got a lot worse.
● Mary was born in Mexico.
● She was never paid for the work that she did.
● She wasn’t allowed to leave her apartment except when she went to work.
● A man promised to take her and look after her.

Answer key:

Mary was born in Mexico. When she was about 17 years old, she was persuaded to go to the USA with the promise that she would have a better life and be provided with a job. A man promised to take her and look after her. However, when she arrived in the USA her life got a lot worse. She was given a job at a factory packing vegetables. But she was escorted there and back every day and was never allowed to go anywhere on her own. She wasn’t allowed to leave her apartment except when she went to work. She was never paid for the work that she did. She was given drugs and was badly abused. She wasn’t allowed to go and see a doctor when she was ill or hurt.