

## **Migration is**

The notion of migration has been in my head for a while now. Please feel free to add to this first effort at describing migration in different, perhaps less obvious ways, both positive and negative.

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Migration is from the womb to birth  
Migration is hearing a mother's voice  
Migration is ideas passing into the head - and leaving too  
Migration is ideas passing between people  
Migration is moving to a new home  
Migration is moving to a new town  
Migration is being on a ship  
Migration is seeking refuge  
Migration is seeking asylum  
Migration is seeking work  
Migration is fleeing from war  
Migration is a forced walk  
Migration is a long march  
Migration is 'scattered sand'  
Migration is changing schools from Year 6 to Year 7  
Migration is leaving home for good  
Migration is going to another country  
migration is being on an airplane  
Migration is a question. Where have you come from?  
Migration is another question. When are you going back?  
Migration is a welcome full of warmth  
Migration is a celebration of difference  
Migration is sadness  
Migration is meeting barriers  
Migration is longing (hiraeth\*) for home  
Migration is finding new friends  
Migration is the osmosis and diffusion of life  
Migration is looking at the stars  
Migration is ignoring walls, fences and borders  
Migration is a hankering for the horizon  
Migration is slipping the leash  
Migration is casting off chains  
Migration is loss  
Migration is traveling into the unknown  
Migration is a bird on the wing  
Migration is hope  
Migration is a new beginning  
Migration is the bringing of culture  
Migration is the sharing of culture  
Migration is the constant pursuit of freedom  
Migration is free movement

Migration is a story to be told  
Migration is you  
Migration is me

\* It's a Welsh word which I think is beautiful and evocative.

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