



WHAT'S WRONG HERE?

Look at these nice people.

Notice that each one has something: a tool or implement here, a bicycle or a briefcase there. All completely normal and unremarkable.

But wait. Something's amiss. That nice fellow near the bottom – third row down, second from the right. He doesn't seem to have anything.

Indeed. You see, he's a refugee.

And as you can see, refugees are just like you and me except for one thing: they have been forced to leave their country because of persecution or war.

Everything they once had has been

lost. Home, family, possessions, all gone.

They have nothing left but their courage, and with it the hope of once more being contributing members of society. It's all they will ever have unless we help.

Of course, you can't give them back what's been destroyed. But we are asking you to keep an open mind. And a smile of welcome.

It may not seem like much. But to a refugee it can mean everything.

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