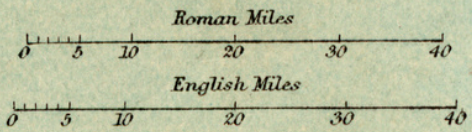


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What is your migration experience? Has your migration status made it possible to view Kuwait as your home? Why?

I was born in Kuwait and have lived here my entire life, my parents migrated from Palestine in 1975. Being born here has made Kuwait feel like my only home and where I belong, even going back to visit my country feels like a vacation, and I can't wait to get back to the place that is truly my home.

What factors contribute to establishing your sense of belonging to Palestine?

My grandparents and all of my extended family live in Palestine, and talking to them about life there instills this feeling that some part of me belongs back in Palestine. I feel like I belong there and that I am Palestinian.

What factors influence your sense of stability and long-term belonging in Kuwait? Are these accessible?

The factor that makes my sense of stability here shaky is mostly citizenship, because it is never fully guaranteed for non-Kuwaitis which doesn't help with me feeling like I'm welcomed in the country as a non-Kuwaiti.



How have you been impacted by the ongoing atrocities in your home country?

Seeing what is happening back in Palestine is mentally draining and painful. Seeing how so many families have been ripped apart and killed, and I'm not able to help or do anything is devastating. The fact that I'm safe here makes me feel guilty.

What role does having an established community/support system play in maintaining your connection to Palestine?

Having a community here definitely helps with making the feeling of guilt easier to manage. Being with each other really helps with keeping a connection with Palestine and when we share things we all relate to it as Palestinians, I feel supported.

Looking ahead, what changes would you like to see on a legal and social level that support migrants' experiences by protecting long-term belonging and stability in Kuwait?

I really hope they make citizenship access easier, and I would love to see more representation of migrants [in healthcare, education, and business etc.].

