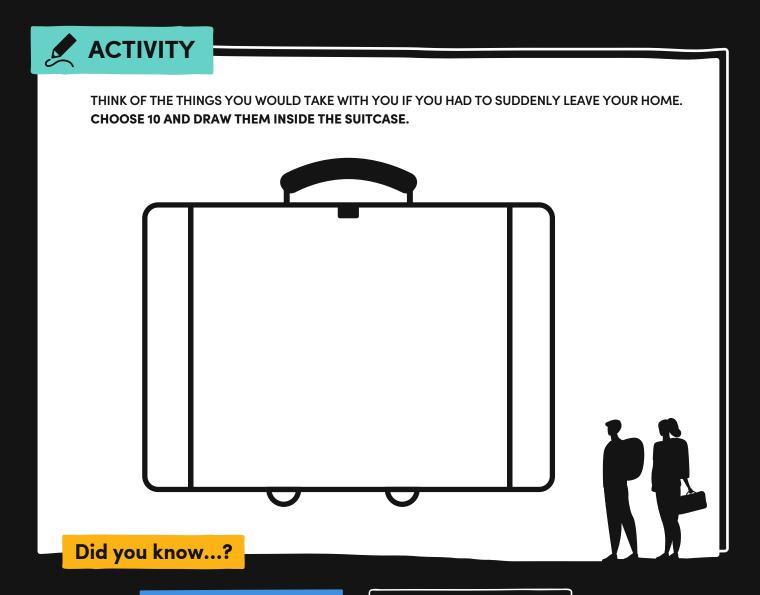
A MIGRANT'S SUITCASE

Migrating is not easy. It involves leaving many things behind. Some are bonds, for example, with the family you leave far away. Others are your material belongings.

Sometimes you have time to plan your migration –which does not mean that you will not have to make difficult decisions–, but in other cases people must suddenly leave their place of residence, due to armed conflict, violence or environmental disaster. These are what we call "displaced" people (and if they moved within their own country, they are "internally displaced persons").



There are more than 280 million migrants in the world.²

In 2018, more than 70 million had been displaced.3









¹ IOM. (2019) IOM Glossary on Migration.
² IOM (2020). *World Migration Report 2020.*³ UNHCR (2019). Quoted on https://migrationdataportal.org/themes/forced-migration-or-displacement