



A Czech designer created an interesting idea. He made a pillow with the picture of the Ukrainian president Volodimir Zelenskiy.

At first, it was a joke, but the pillow became very popular, and many people wanted to buy it. The designer thought that he could use the president's **popularity** to give some money to Ukrainian people who had to leave Ukraine. The man sold more than 2,000 pillows, and he raised almost 19,000 dollars for a **charity**. He's planning to make more pillows.

The Czech Republic already sent tens of millions of dollars to Ukraine. More than 3 million Ukrainians left their country, and the Czech republic took 270,000 **refugees** so far.

Difficult words: **popularity** (when many people like someone or something), **charity** (an organization which raises money for people who need it), **refugee** (a person who left his country because of a war or natural disaster).

Discussion Questions

Topic Talk

1. Define the following words: *popularity, charity and refugee*
2. Who designed the pillow with the picture of the Ukrainian president Volodimir Zelenskiy?
3. Why did he think of using President Volodimir Zelenskiy's picture?
4. How much money did the Czech designer raise for a charity?
5. What help has the Czech Republic given to Ukraine during this war?

Express Your Thoughts

1. What can you say about the Czech designer's idea?
2. If you wanted to raise money to help the people in Ukraine, what would you do?
3. Does your country stand with Ukraine against Russian invasion or the the other way around?
4. What kind of aid has your country provided Ukraine during this difficult times?