**Primary Source Analysis**

1. Identify the source:
* **What** is the nature of the source?
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* **Who** created this source, and what do I know about them?
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1. Contextualize the Source:
* What do you know about the **historical context** for this source?
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* What do I know about how the **creator** of this source fits into that historical context?
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* **Why** did the person who created the source do so?
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1. Explore the Source:
* What **factual information** is conveyed in this source?
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* What **opinions** are related in this source?
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* What is **implied** or conveyed unintentionally in the source?
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* What is **not said** in this source?
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* What is **surprising** or **interesting** about the source?
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* What do I **not understand** in this source?
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1. Analyze the Source:
* How does the creator of the source **convey information to make their point?**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
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* How is the world described in the source **different from my world**?
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* How might **others at the time** have reacted to this source?
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1. Evaluate the Source:
* How does this source compare to **other primary sources**?
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* How does this source compare to **secondary source accounts**?
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* What do you **believe** and **disbelieve** from this source?
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* What do you **still not know** – and where can you find that information?
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