

Explore
Evaluate
Explain



PRIMARY SOURCE WORKSHEET (GRADES 3-12)

Primary Sources Tell a Story



Explore the primary source

What type of primary source is this? How might this affect the information shared?

- Diary Letter Newspaper Speech Performance
 Ad Telegram Petition Pamphlet Other

Evaluate

What can you learn by observing and thinking critically about the source?

Where else might you turn to in order to learn more about this primary source?

Who do you think this source was written by?

Who do you think this source was written for?

When was this primary source written?

Where was this primary source written?

What else was happening in this location when this source was written?

Why do you think that this primary source was written? Provide evidence in the form of a quote.

How can this primary source help us understand the past?

Explain

How can you share your new knowledge with others?

Based on what you have learned through exploration and evaluation, how might you explain the importance of this primary source to others?