

Primary Vs Secondary Source Cards

CUT OUT THE CARDS • SORT THEM • DISCUSS • USE AS EVIDENCE



PRIMARY SOURCES – Created at the time of an event or by someone who experienced it.



DIARY

A personal record written at the time of an event.



LETTER

A written message sent at the time by someone who was there.



PHOTOGRAPH

An image taken at the time of an event.



SPEECH

Words spoken at the time of an event or by a witness.



GOVERNMENT DOCUMENT

An official record created by a government or organisation at the time.



NEWSPAPER ARTICLE

A report published at the time of an event.



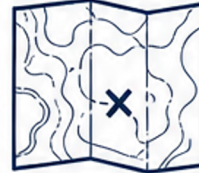
AUDIO RECORDING

A sound recording made at the time of an event.



FILM FOOTAGE

Moving images recorded at the time of an event.



MAP

A map created at the time being studied.



ARTIFACT

An object made or used at the time of an event.

SECONDARY SOURCES – Created after the event by someone who did not experience it.



TEXTBOOK

A book written later to explain or analyse events.



HISTORY BOOK

A book written by a historian after the events.



WEBSITE ARTICLE

Information published online after the events.



RESEARCH REPORT

A report written after the events using research and analysis.



HISTORIAN'S ANALYSIS

An interpretation of events written by a historian.



TIMELINE

A summary of events created after the fact.



DOCUMENTARY

A film made after the events to explain them.



BIOGRAPHY

The story of a person's life written after their death or later.



INTERPRETATION

An explanation or opinion about the meaning of events.



STATISTICS

Data collected after the events to show patterns or trends.



THINK LIKE A HISTORIAN:

Who created the source? When was it created? Why was it created?
What is the point of view? How reliable is it?