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| **Origin:** Where did the source come from? Who did it come from? When did it come from? What do you know about the author/creator? Do they have “authority?” Is this a blog? Can you contact the author? Who is the publisher?  Is this a: Primary Source Secondary Source |
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| **Purpose:** What do you think they are trying to communicate? What ideas and/or feelings are they trying to express? Who is the intended audience? Why was this created? Is there advertising? Do they want to entertain? Sell? Convince you? Educate and inform? |
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| **Value:** What value does this source have? What does it show about a time and a place? About society? What does it show about the thinking at that time? Is there new information that helps us understand? Is there a bibliography? Valid links to other good resources? Is the information up to date? Does it matter? |
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| **Limitation:** What problems could make this source less valuable? Was it mis-translated? Is there bias? What information was not available to the author when it was created? Was information specifically left out and other information emphasized? How does historical context influence interpretation? Is the information dated? |
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