

Rubric for Primary Source Analysis - Written (20 points total)

Criteria	Description	Points	Score
Meet the Document		1 pt	
Document Type	Identifies the type of document (e.g., letter, report, diary).	1	
Observe its Parts		7 pts	
Author & Background	Identifies the author and provides relevant background information.	3	
Intended Audience	Clearly identifies the intended audience with reasoning.	2	
Date of Document	Provides the date or period of the document.	1	
Place of Origin	Identifies where the document originated.	1	
Make Sense of It		9 pts	
Main Topic	Describes what the document is about.	2	
Summary Sentence	Provides a concise one-sentence summary of the document's content.	1	
Purpose of Document	Explains why the author wrote the document.	2	
Evidence for Purpose	Quotes specific evidence from the document to support the author's purpose.	2	
Historical Context	Connects the document to relevant historical events at the time of creation.	2	
Use as Historical Evidence		3 pts	
Unique Insight	Identifies information from the document that might not be found elsewhere.	2	



Comparative Source	Suggests another document or source that could be compared to this document.	1	
Total Score (/20)			