

AP PARTS

AUTHOR

Who created the source? What do you know about the author? What is the author's main point of view?

PLACE AND TIME

Where and when was the source produced? How might they affect the meaning of the source?

PRIOR KNOWLEDGE

Beyond information about the author and the context of its creation, what do you know that would help you further understand the primary source? For example, do you recognize any symbols and recall what they represent?

AUDIENCE

For whom was the source created and how might this affect the reliability of the source?

REASONING

Why was this source produced at the time it was produced?

THE MAIN IDEA

What point is the source trying to convey?

SIGNIFICANCE

Why is this source important? What inferences can you draw from this document? Ask yourself, "So what?" in relation to the question asked.