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Primary and Secondary Sources Sort

Primary sources are firsthand accounts or descriptions. They are made by people who were present to see or experience something themselves.

Secondary sources are secondhand accounts or descriptions. They are made by people who were not present to see or experience something themselves. They build on primary or other secondary sources.

Cut out the source cards. Sort the cards into two groups: primary or secondary sources. Then glue or tape the cards into the correct columns on page 2.



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detailed biography about Amelia Earhart

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newly released book about the arrival of Vikings in North America



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essay analyzing poems by Phillis Wheatley, an enslaved woman.

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recording of an interview with a Holocaust survivor

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enlistment poster made during the American Civil War

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blog explaining how the Black Death spread in medieval Europe

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podcast summarizing the findings of several medical studies

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review of a book of photos taken during the Great Depression

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textbook chapter about the causes of the Cold War

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photograph of college students protesting the Vietnam War

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Long Walk to Freedom, Nelson Mandela's autobiography

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cuneiform tablet containing Sumerian laws

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Glue or tape the cards from page 1 into the correct columns.

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Savannah's birth certificate

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