



Evidence Analysis Worksheet

When analyzing evidence, we often think about the research question when evaluating the data and evidence as to whether it is primary or secondary evidence.

1. What is the evidence? _____
2. Who are the primary ancestors in this evidence?

3. Where did this evidence originate? (Detailed location including county, state, country or equivalent).

4. Where was this evidence found? _____
5. Where is it now? _____
6. When was it written? _____
7. When did you discover it? _____
8. Why does it matter or how is it important to your research question?

9. **IMPORTANT** - Name every person in the document and their relationship. For example: John Doe (a witness), or Sue Smith (Bride), Steven Coe (County Clerk).

10. What evidence/data within this item is a primary source (regarding your research question)?

11. What evidence/data within this item is a secondary source (regarding your research question)? _____



12. Describe, transcribe, or abstract the document. (Use a separate paper or Document Cover Sheet if necessary).

13. What conclusions do you have regarding your research question? Does it directly answer your research question?

14. Is it a primary source or secondary source?

15. Write a Source Citation (original source location in detail):

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