MANY SOURCES, ONE STORY

Historians rarely rely on a single artifact or document to understand the past. Instead, they examine multiple primary sources, compare different perspectives, identify missing voices, and ask new questions. Every source contributes another piece to the historical record.

Using an inquiry theme or topic of your choice, examine two or more primary sources that help you investigate how your theme appears within that historical context. As you compare the sources, consider what each one reveals, whose perspectives are represented, what may be missing, and how the sources work together to build a more complete understanding of history.

My inquiry theme:

Its historical context (event, person, place, movement, or experience):

Find Primary Sources That Help You Understand Your Theme:
Look for sources that provide evidence of how your inquiry theme appears within your selected historical context.

Source	Title/Description	Type of Source	Why did you choose it?
Source 1			
Source 2			
Source 3 (optional)			

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Primary Source	What does this source reveal?	Whose perspective or voice is represented?	What information or perspectives may be missing?	What new questions does this source raise?	What other evidence might help tell a more complete story?
Source 1					
Source 2					
Source 3 (optional)					