

Learning from Primary Sources: Original Document Worksheet

1. What is the title of the document? If it has no title, what title would you give it?
2. When was it written? If you cannot tell, then when do you think it was written?
3. Who wrote it? If you cannot tell, then who do you think wrote it?
4. What was the original purpose of this document?
5. What is the physical appearance of the document? Does it have flaws? What is unique about it?
6. What information is contained in the document?
7. Why does the study of this document have educational value?
8. What does this document reveal about Missouri's history? U.S. history?
9. Can you imagine another version of this document that might still be in use today?
10. What information is not contained in the document that you would like to know? Why?