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**Evaluating Sources – Primary vs. Secondary Sources**

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| **PRIMARY SOURCES** | **SECONDARY SOURCES** |
| **Definition:** | **Definition:** |
| **Examples:** | **Examples:** |
| **When to use…** | **When to use…** |

**INTRODUCTION TO HISTORICAL THINKING: EVALUATING SOURCES**

**DIRECTIONS:** Use the historical questions and sources provided to evaluate each source. Make sure you discuss with your table group – there is more than one correct answer but you must explain your reasoning!

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| **Historical Question:** | **Source 1:**  **Primary or Secondary?** | **Source 2:**  **Primary or Secondary?** | **Which source do you trust more to answer the historical question accurately? WHY? (1-2 sentence response)** |
| Who was present at the signing of the Declaration of Independ-ence? |  |  |  |
| What was slavery like in South Carolina? |  |  |  |

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| **Historical Question:** | **Source 1:**  **Primary or Secondary?** | **Source 2:**  **Primary or Secondary?** | **Which source do you trust more to answer the historical question accurately? WHY? (1-2 sentence response)** |
| What was the layout of the Nazi concentra- tion camp Auschwitz? |  |  |  |
| Why were Japanese Americans put in internment camps during WWII?  (1939-1945) |  |  |  |
| Why did the people rebel against the monarchy during the French Revolution? |  |  |  |
| What happened at the Battle of Gettysburg? |  |  |  |