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Student Guide for Working with Sources

Who – who made the source- did they have an opinion or bias? Were they involved?	
What – what information does the source give? Is it the full story? Is it accurate?	
Why – why was the source made? Was it made to persuade people of a particular opinion?	
When – was it made at the time? Was the person there?	
Where – where was the source made? Were they involved in the event? Did they have an opinion?	
Identify the source – is it primary or secondary? Who wrote it?	
Author/artist? – consider their religion, nationality, job etc	
Put it into context – what events had happened or were happening when this was created? Who was the intended audience?	