

Websites for Primary Source Activities



[History in the Raw](http://www.nara.gov/education/teaching/raw.html) - Article on why we should use primary sources in social studies (includes ideas for introducing students to using primary sources)
<http://www.nara.gov/education/teaching/raw.html>

[History Firsthand](http://learning.loc.gov/learn/lesson97/firsthand/main.html) - Primary Source Research in Elementary School - Discusses the importance of using primary sources for research (includes a detailed unit plan on teaching students how to use primary sources)
<http://learning.loc.gov/learn/lesson97/firsthand/main.html>

[Internet Modern History Sourcebook](http://www.fordham.edu/halsall/mod/modsbook.html) - Many primary sources on a variety of topics
<http://www.fordham.edu/halsall/mod/modsbook.html>

[Only a Matter of Opinion?](http://library.thinkquest.org/50084/index.shtm) - Cartoons, Editorials and Commentary and Columns
<http://library.thinkquest.org/50084/index.shtm>

[History Happens: Cool Stories](http://www.ushistory.com/cool.html) - Songs on various topics including WW II , Native American Heritage, Civil War
<http://www.ushistory.com/cool.html>

[Learning Adventures in Citizenship](http://www.pbs.org/wnet/newyork/laic/sitemap.html) - This can be used as a complete activity or look through the adventure yourself to pull out pictures and information on different time periods in NY history.
<http://www.pbs.org/wnet/newyork/laic/sitemap.html>

[NARA Document Analysis Worksheets](http://www.archives.gov/digital_classroom/lessons/analysis_worksheets/worksheets.html) - THIS IS AN EXCELLENT RESOURCE!! Get ideas for helping your students learn what to look for when analyzing documents.
http://www.archives.gov/digital_classroom/lessons/analysis_worksheets/worksheets.html