Primary Documents
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1. Who wrote the document? Who is the document about?

2. What is the purpose of this document?

3. When was the document written? Is the document also referring to another time period?

4. Where is this document most pertinent to? What country is it from? What state/city/government is it from?

5. Why was this document written?

6. What makes this document unique?

7. What kind of language is being used?

8. What are the expectations of the author?

9. What is the intended audience of the document?