

Teaching with Primary Sources - Elementary

Notes

Resources for building on Tom Bober's video course on using primary sources with elementary students.

100. 1

[A New Take on Constitution Day: Engaging Students with Primary Sources](#)

Resource Type: *Feature*

When I attended the Library of Congress Summer Teacher Institute called "Teaching with Primary Sources," I immediately knew that the content was going to change the way that I teach my students.

101. 2

[Audio-Visual Primary Sources](#)

Resource Type: *Courses*

In this workshop Tom Bober tells you how and why you should include film and audio when analyzing primary sources with students.

102. 3

[Light of Inspiration: Making the Most of a Picture Book](#)

Resource Type: *Feature*

My trip to a Maine lighthouse served as inspiration for a library lesson this year. I especially appreciate how I could incorporate my own learning with my professional learning to the benefit of my students. My experience with this lesson showed me that the stories in our lives have a way of connecting, if we pay attention to them!

103. 4

[Pairing Literature with Primary Sources](#)

Resource Type: *Feature*

You can make history come alive through picture books. Pair them with primary sources from online digital collections and history can become more than a series of facts.

104. 5

[Photos, Maps, and More: Graphic Inquiry and Primary Sources in the School Library](#)

Resource Type: *Feature*

Whether students are analyzing political cartoons or tracking troop movements on a Revolutionary War era map, visually rich primary sources can play an important role throughout the inquiry process.

105. 6

[Primary Sources for Elementary](#)

Resource Type: *Courses*

Tom Bober shows you how to use primary sources with elementary students. As students think critically using primary sources, they will construct knowledge, develop their understanding and interpretation of what they are seeing or reading, and have looked at it so closely that their understanding of it can go far beyond other ways that they construct knowledge in the classroom.

Primary Sources: Encouraging Elementary Students to Learn and Wonder

Resource Type: *Editor's Note*

Primary source analysis strategies work with kindergarten as well as upper-elementary students. There are variations and adaptations to all of them, but what is similar is that they encourage elementary students to engage with historical items and documents to learn and wonder. As I've used these primary source analysis strategies with my elementary students over the years, I've learned lessons that help make their learning and my teaching more meaningful.