**Primary Source Documents – Think Like a Historian – Use SOAPSTone**

**S** = Who is the speaker? Who is the voice telling this story?

**O** = What is the occasion? What is the time, place and context / current situation of this evidence?

**A** = Who is the audience? Who is the group this is directed towards?

**P** = What is the purpose? Why was this produced?

**S** = What is the subject of the evidence? What is the main idea being communicated?

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**Tone** = What is the attitude of the author? What emotions or bias are evident? What about the author makes them act, speak or think this way?

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