

Field Trip Discussion Instructions

Start

This mini-lecture covers the requirements for field trip discussions.

Standards

These field trips are like a web search, or even a web-based scavenger hunt.—all related directly to the course.

Sources

For each trip, you must do four things. Find & describe a website about a place or event related to the course. Cite an online credible source for this information. Find & describe a primary document from this event. Cite a credible online source where this document can be located—see sample at right.

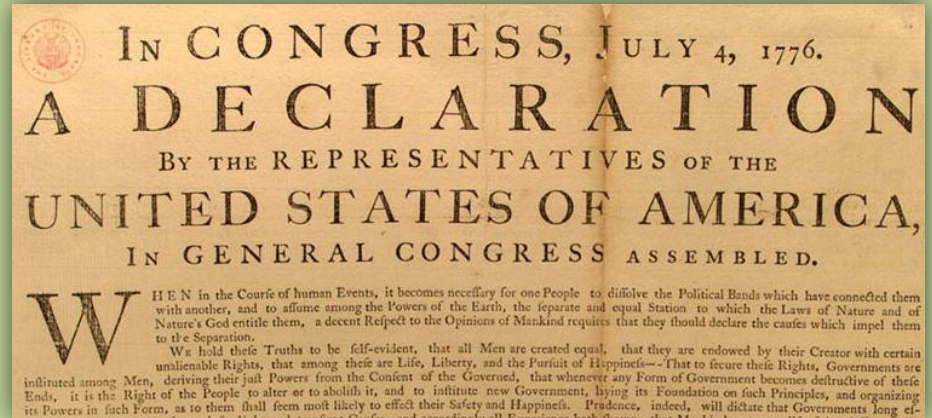
Primary Docs

Samples

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Original copy of Declaration of Independence printed by John Dunlap & sent July 6, 1776 to General George Washington. This copy was read to his troops July 9, 1776 as they awaited a superior British force. MLA citation for an online image of a primary document:

Continental Congress. "Declaration of Independence." Online image. 6 July, 1776. Primary Documents in American History: Declaration of Independence. Library of Congress. 1 December 2009. <<http://www.loc.gov/exhibits/treasures/images/uc06330.jpg>>.

Field Trip Discussion Instructions--Standards

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There are six standards.

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Your Trip must be related to the course.

Your trip must be historically significant.

Sources

You must find and locate a primary document.

Primary Docs

You must provide credible online sources for your trip & your primary document.

Samples

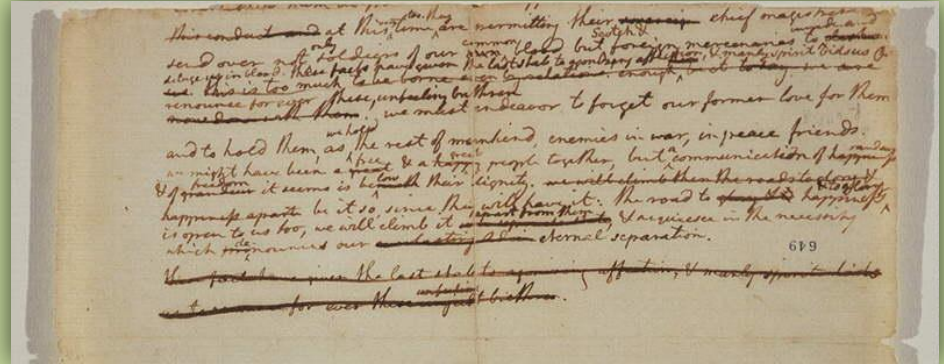
Your citations must use MLA style—see sample at right.

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You must post a 1-2 paragraph of the trip and the primary document under discussions.

Do/Don't

Click Sources...



The only know fragment of an original draft of the Declaration of Independence handwritten by Thomas Jefferson. This paragraph began the list of "facts" proving the tyranny of the British King—almost all of these words were eventually changed by Jefferson. Once approved, it was common for Congress to hire printers to print from the handwritten document for public dissemination. Called Broad­sides, these printed political documents were eagerly awaited by readers. MLA citation for an online image of a primary document:

Jefferson, Thomas. "Draft, Declaration of Independence." Online image. June, 1776. Declaring Independence: Drafting the Documents. Library of Congress. 1 December 2009. <<http://www.loc.gov/exhibits/declara/declara4.html>>.

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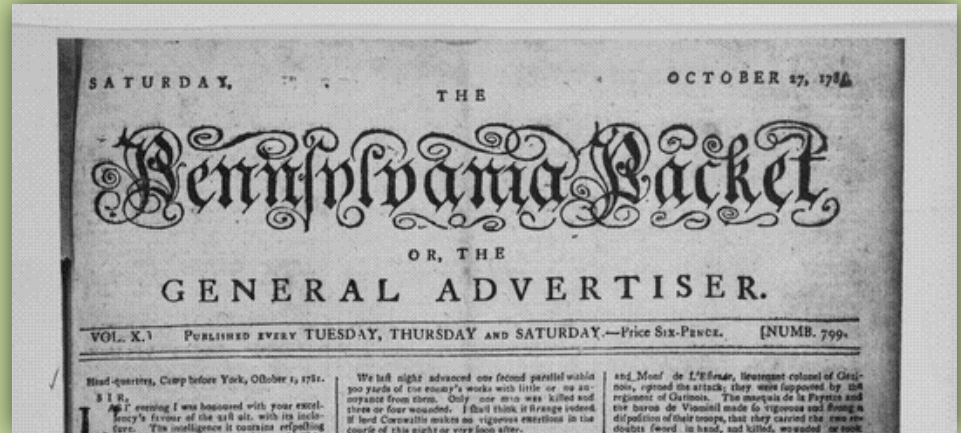
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Do/Don't

All sources used must be college-level sites with academic credibility—meaning we know who wrote the material and they provide their own sources. You skip over YouTube and Wikipedia and you go straight to a credible web site—the Library of Congress. See sample at right. Sources can be universities, government agencies, media outlets, and more—see “Resources for Field Trips”

Click Primary Docs



Original copy of the “Pennsylvania Packet”, October, 1781, printed by John Dunlap who became the “official” printer of the Continental Congress. His print shop at 2nd & Market also printed copies of the Constitution. MLA citation for an online image of a primary document:

Dunlap, John. “Pennsylvania Packet, p.1.” Online image. 17 October 1781. Broadside from America and Europe. Library of Congress, digital ID: rbpe 14600700 <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.rbc/rbpe.14600700.1> December 2009. <http://memory.loc.gov/cgi-bin/query/D?rbpebib:1:/temp/~ammem_eNPF>.

Field Trip Discussion Instructions—Primary Documents

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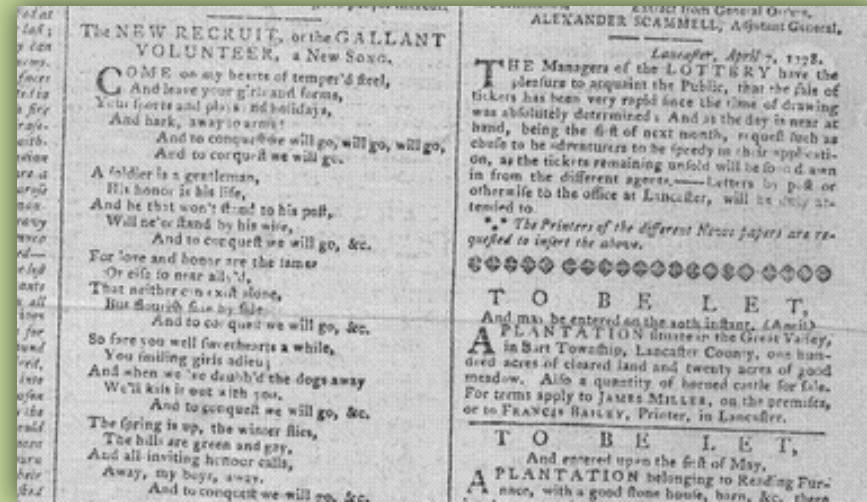
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Do/Don't

A primary document (or source) is a “thing” such as a letter, court decision, medal, sword, or newspaper--created at the time under study by people of that time. It is NOT the “primary” or “main” citation for your trip. Of course, we can't really pick up the genuine document, but that is the beauty of the web—you can find online images of an amazing array of historical documents—like the newspaper from 1778 at right. And, note, you must cite them as online images—see to the right. Click Samples next.



Original copy of page 3 in Dunlap's "Pennsylvania Packet" printed in 1778 during the war includes song lyrics urging recruits to be "gentlemen" beside stories on the Philadelphia Lottery (yes they had Lotteries then) and an advertisement for rent. MLA citation for an online image of a primary document:

Dunlap, John. "Pennsylvania Packet, p. 3." Online image. 8 April 1778. Primary Documents in American History: Declaration of Independence. Library of Congress. 1 December 2009. Digital ID: rbpe 14500100 <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.rbc/rbpe.14500100> <http://memory.loc.gov/cgi-bin/query/D?rbpebib:4./temp/~ammem_uT4b>.

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A primary source (or document) is any evidence created by actual participants in an historical time. In this case the engraving at right is a primary document—found at the citation listed (or source). It depicts...

...John Adams (1)

...Roger Sherman (2)

...Robert R. Livingston (3)

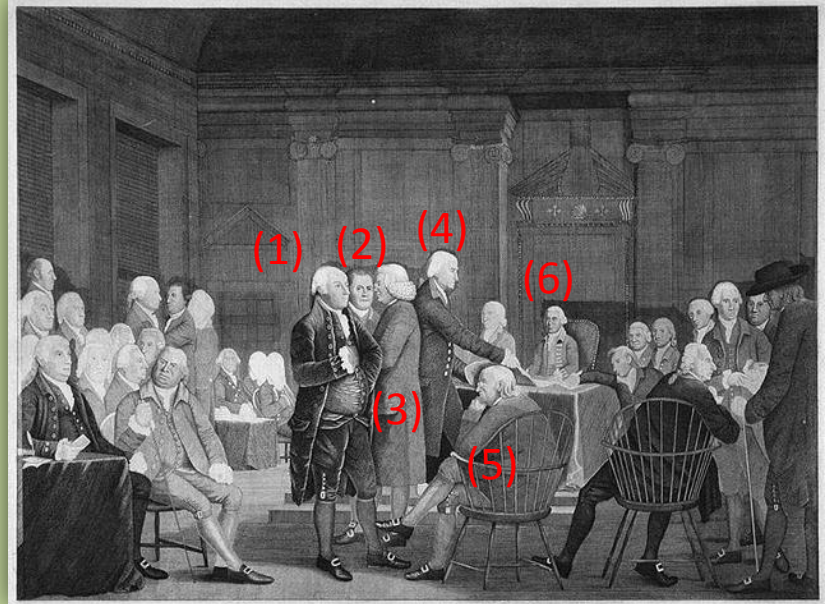
...Thomas Jefferson (4)

...Benjamin Franklin (5)

...John Hancock (6)

It is not the original, but an online image of the original.

See Detailed Instructions in your course. Click Checklist next.



Original engraving called "Voting the Declaration" showing Jefferson presenting the finished document to Congress June 28, 1776. Engraved by Edward Savage based on a painting by Robert E. Pine in late 1776. Although unfinished, it is considered one of the most accurate depictions of the men involved in the event. MLA citation for an online image of a primary document:

Savage, Edward. "Voting the Declaration." Online image. 6 July, 1776. Prints and Photographs Division, Engraving LC-USZ62-6078-A (b&w). Library of Congress. 1 December 2009. <<http://www.loc.gov/exhibits/declara/declara4.html>>.

Field Trip Discussion Instructions--Checklist

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Start with this checklist;

Trips must be...

Standards

...related to course timeline

..specific, or not a general trip such as to a Museum

Sources

...use credible online sources for both the trip and the primary document

Primary Docs

...include a minimum of a one paragraph description

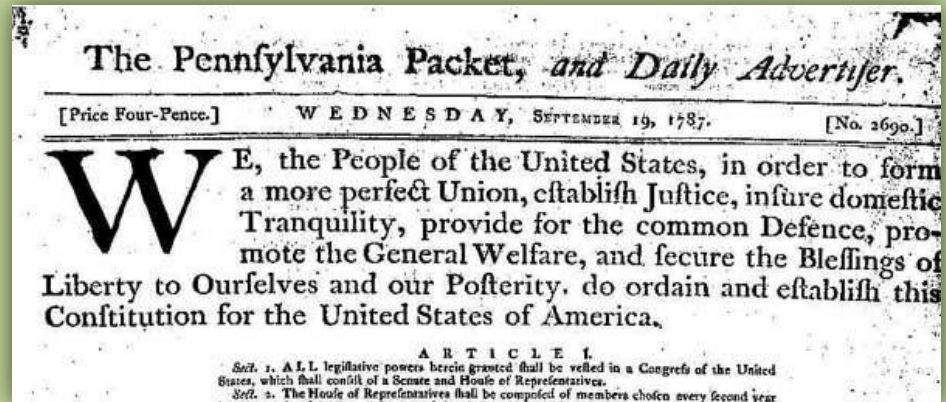
Samples

...include a primary document and its source

Checklist

...wiki's, dictionaries, high school sites, social sites are prohibited...click Do/Don't

Do/Don't



Original copy of Constitution of the United States printed by John Dunlap in the Pennsylvania Packet, September 19, 1787. MLA citation for an online image of a primary document:

Dunlap, John. "Constitution of the United States, Pennsylvania Packet, p. 1." Online image. 19 September 1778. Documents of the Continental Congress and the Constitutional Convention: Constitution of the United States. Library of Congress, American Memory. 1 December 2009. <<http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/collections/continental/dunlap.html>>.

Field Trip Discussion Instructions—Do's & Don'ts

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Do/Don't

Do...

Search for topics of interest to you. Use your imagination. Sports, social and economic events are acceptable. Foreign affairs, as long as it relates to the course are great. Search one place for a topic, and another for a primary document.

Don't...

Do not go to the same topic as a classmate—first come first served. Never use open source web sites such as wikipedia; or social sites. Never search outside the timeline of the course. Never plagiarize. Do not submit lists, write a descriptive paragraph or more. Don't go to local, contemporary issues. Never do these as a tourist & never use tourists sources.