WORKSHEET: ANALYZING PRIMARY DOCUMENTS

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 this document also referring to another time period?

4. Where was this document created? (Think about the city, state, country.) Is the place that the document was created also the same audience at which the author was directing the document?

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. Who is the intended audience of the document?

10. What perspective is shown in the document?