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Grade level: 2

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Allow students, in groups or individually, to examine the print located at the above link while answering the questions below in order. These questions will prepare students to think critically when observing primary source documents, particularly photographs.

Level I: Description

1. What do you see?
2. What details do you see in this print?

Level II: Interpretation

1. What do you notice about the field?
2. Why did the field change on our current flag and not the stripes?

Level III: Analysis

1. Do you think our flag will change again?
2. Why do you think it might change? Explain what conditions could create this change.

