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Allow students, in groups or individually, to examine the photograph while answering the questions below in order. The questions are designed to guide students into a deeper analysis of the source and sharpen associated cognitive skills.

### **Level I: Description**

1. How many oil derricks do you see?
2. Where does this take place?
3. What time period do you think this takes place?

### **Level II: Interpretation**

1. Why are there so many oil wells?
2. Were you surprised that this was in Ohio? Why?
3. Do you think these oil wells are around today?

### **Level III: Analysis**

1. What questions do you have about this picture?
2. Does this help you understand why oil is a nonrenewable resource? Why or why not?
3. What would happen if there was an oil spill? Would this affect the renewable resources like water and air? How?

