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Allow students, in groups or individually, to examine the photographs located below 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 1: Description**

1. Are these pictures dated, and if so what is the time span of these pictures?
2. What structures can be found in these pictures?
3. What cities and states were these pictures taken in?

### **Level 2: Interpretation**

1. What environmental issues do you notice in these pictures?
2. Who is being affected in these pictures?
3. Is the water going down? How can you tell?
4. Why do you think the people in pictures #7 and #8 and many others stayed with their pets?
5. Why do you think the owner of the dog pictured in #10 left?

### **Level 3: Analysis**

1. What do these pictures tell you about this region?
2. What problems can you see occurring as the water level drops?
3. How will these problems be solved?
4. How did Hurricane Katrina change this region and its inhabitants?
5. Explain evaporation.
6. Explain how a hurricane is formed.

1. *Hurricane Katrina Oil Spill, USGG Image, September 29, 2005*



2. *Bass Enterprises: Aerial view of tanks, September 5, 2005*



3. *Overhead oil spill photo, December 27, 2005*



4. *Hurricane Katrina Image: Beauty Destroyed, September 5, 2005*



5. *New Orleans area flooded after Hurricane Katrina with oily water, September 5, 2005*



6. *An oily sheen can be seen on top of the floodwaters in this inundated New Orleans neighborhood, October 8, 2005*



7. *An evacuee watches over his dog who quietly nurses her puppies, born a week before Hurricane Katrina struck the city, September 3, 2005*



8. *Without electricity or tap water for ten days, September 8, 2005 – Some residents, who had been staying behind because of their pets, are finally convinced by police to leave after hearing the pets can come with them. They have been without electricity or tap water for ten days.*



9. *Chalmette oil spill threatens town in St. Bernard Parish  
September 18, 2005*



10. *A young dog, left to roam the streets in St. Bernard Parish  
September 15, 2008*

