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Grade level: 5

Primary Source Citation: Immigrant photographs.


Allow students, in groups or individually, to examine the photographs located at the above link 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. What type of primary source are these?
2. What is the time period of these photographs?
3. Where are the people in these photographs?

Level II: Interpretation

1. Describe what is happening in each photograph?
2. Describe the mood of each photograph?

Level III: Analysis

1. Put yourself in these people’s shoes. Describe your experience and how you feel?