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Grade level: 5

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Allow students, in groups or individually, to examine the interview 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 details help you pick out who the information is about?
- 2. What was the date of the oral history interview?
- 3. Where can the oral history information be found?
- 4. What is the actual time period Lucy is speaking about?

Level II: Interpretation

- 1. Who is the intended audience for this writing?
- 2. Lucy says, "White folks didn't keep no 'count of dey slaves' ages. Dey wuz jes' like chickens-like many chickens. . ." What does she mean?
- 3. Why was Lucy's speech written in this manner?

Level III: Analysis

- 1. What does Lucy tell you about her time period and her way of life?
- 2. What evidence can you find that she was confused about why her last name was Hawkins?
- 3. What inferences can you make about her life as a slave?
- 4. If you could interview Lucy, what questions would you ask her?