



Created by: Karen Shank, Menlo Park Elementary School

Grade level: 4-5

Primary Source Citation: *Wooden Street Paving Blocks*, 1890-1925, Marion County Historical Society and *Street Paving*, c. 1925, by Adam Bauer, Marion County Historical Society. From *Ohio Memory*. <http://www.ohiomemory.org/u/?p267401coll36,14155> and <http://www.ohiomemory.org/u/?p267401coll36,14156>.

Allow students, in groups or individually, to examine the photographs located on the next page (and at the above links) 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 (Photographs 1 and 2)

- 1 Describe the shape of the 2 objects in the first photograph.
- 2 What material do you think they are made from? What makes you think that?
- 3 Describe what you see in the second photograph.

Level II: Interpretation (Photograph 2)

- 1 What time period do you think this photograph comes from? What clues give you an idea of the time period?
- 2 What do the men appear to be doing?

Level III: Analysis

- 1 Why do you think they are doing the work by hand and are not using machines?
- 2 Some of the men are dressed in “work” clothes and others are dressed in suits. Why do you think both groups of men are in the photograph? Who do you think the men in the suits might be?

