PRIMARY SOURCES

**Definition:**
Provides first hand / direct evidence about an event, object or person. Typically, primary sources provide more reliable information as they are produced at the relevant time. They present new and original information and it lessens the chance of miscommunication or misunderstanding.

**Examples:**
Diaries, interviews, speeches, original documents, creative works (in the form of artwork), statistics and data.

SECONDARY SOURCES

**Definition:**
Offer interpretation or restatement of a primary source. They are usually produced after the relevant time.

**Examples:**
Textbooks, dictionaries, biographies

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