

## OSSRC Primary Resource Rubric

	A	B	C
<i>A resource must rate an A or a B on all rubric items to be selected for inclusion on the OSSRC website.</i>			
1. Uses Primary Resource Material	The resource was created either during or immediately after a particular event (i.e. newspaper article, letter, sound recording).	An eyewitness of an event, time, or place created the resource as a recollection. For example, an oral history collected years after an event; a memoir, or an autobiography.	The resource is a secondary source: an interpretation about the past based on the examination of primary sources (i.e. textbook, films, a museum display, a scholarly article, a wiki entry or an encyclopedia entry).
2. Aligned to Ohio's Academic Content Standards in Social Studies	The resource supports student learning of skills and/or knowledge from Ohio's Academic Content Standards in Social Studies.	N/A	The resource does not support student learning of Ohio's Academic Content Standards in Social Studies.
3. Historical Context	The publisher includes an accurate, clear and relevant description of the resource.	The publisher includes a vague or irrelevant description of the resource.	The publisher includes no description of the resource.
4. Legibility of Reproduction	The resource image(s) is clear, readable and accessible for student use.	The resource image(s) may be unclear or difficult to read, but a transcript is provided.	The image is unclear, unreadable, has a low resolution, is inaccessible, and/or transcripts are not provided.
5. Bibliographic Data <i>(Complete bibliographic data includes a title, the creator/author, the location of original publication, date publication, and source of the resource)</i>	The bibliographic data of the resource is clearly stated and complete.	The bibliographic data is available, but incomplete.	Bibliographic data is unclear or unavailable.

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6. Available in Original Format	The letter, diary, newspaper, broadside, map, etc. has been scanned and can be viewed in its original format or a speech can be listened to in its entirety.	Portions of a letter, diary, newspaper, broadside, map, etc. have been scanned and can be viewed or portions of a speech can be listened to.	Only a transcribed, paraphrased or altered version is available.
7. Cost	Free	Free, but users are required to register.	Access requires payment of a fee.
8. Resource Provider	The resource is provided by a non-profit educational organization (.edu), government (.gov) or organizational site (.org) that has little to no advertising; that identifies a <u>credible</u> publisher, and appropriately cites information within the website.	The resource is provided by a commercial site (i.e. .com) that has little to no advertising; that identifies a <u>credible</u> publisher, and appropriately cites information within the website.	The resource is provided by a site with a large quantity of advertising; that does not identify a <u>credible</u> publisher; or does not appropriately cite information within the website.
9. Navigation	The site is well organized and visually appealing. Information is easily accessed.	The site is challenging to navigate, but the content can be accessed given direction in the resource review.	The site is confusing and visually distracting. Information is difficult to access.