

Assignment – Primary vs. Secondary Sources

Librarian: _____

Due Date: _____

Professor: _____

Please perform ALL of the tasks on this list. For this assignment, you may not work in groups or share answers.

- ☐ Utilizing the library's print and electronic resources, find a primary source (keep in mind that it does not necessarily have to be a book, essay, or article).
- ☐ Again utilizing the library's print and electronic resources, find a secondary source that pertains to (i.e. analyzes, interprets, evaluates, draws a conclusion from, speculates upon) the primary source above.

For the PRIMARY SOURCE you have chosen,

- ☐ Provide a citation in Chicago format. For more information about how to cite properly, see your librarian, consult the *Chicago Manual of Style* (several copies are available in the library), or visit the library's website:
<http://lis.dickinson.edu/Library/Research/CitingRes/index.htm>
- ☐ Identify (using a word or phrase) what type of material it is (i.e. book, scholarly article, painting, interpretive dance, etc.).

For the SECONDARY SOURCE you have chosen,

- ☐ Provide a citation in Chicago format.
- ☐ Identify what type of material it is.
- ☐ Identify its purpose (i.e. to interpret the primary source, criticize it, evaluate it, etc.) and in a few sentences, explain what it is about.
- ☐ Explain how you found this source.

REPEAT THE ABOVE steps with another pair of sources.