

Practice with PRIMARY SOURCES:

What's in the Lunchbox?



Teacher's Quick Guide



Time to Complete



Preparation Time: Up to 10 minutes



Instruction Time: Up to 20 minutes



Key Question

What can you find out about someone you don't know by looking at things that belonged to them?



Key Take Away

Remnants of a lunch box (primary sources) are clues to the identity and behavior of its owner.



Key Task

Use the presentation to practice identifying what a primary source is and what it may tell you about a person, place, or time.

INSTRUCTION



Start Presentation

PAUSE ON SLIDE #11





**Encourage
Careful Looking**

ELICIT student responses:
“What do you notice?”



**Things to
Point Out**

“What was eaten and what was not consumed?”
“What could these choices reveal about the owner?”
“What other questions do these fragments provoke?”



**Reflection &
Group Discussion**

REINFORCE that by looking at these simple, everyday objects we can learn about the person that owned them.

Primary sources give historians clues to the past.

