

## Template 14

# Reading Like a Historian

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My name or my group: \_\_\_\_\_

Text: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Who wrote this? Do you know anything about this person? Is he or she an expert?
2. When was this written? If it was written a long time ago, is this the kind of topic where the information could be outdated?
3. Which points seem to be the most important here? Why?
4. What evidence does the author use to support these points?
5. Does the author try to *inform* or *persuade* you? If the author is persuading, what "side" does he or she take?
6. If the author seems to be trying to persuade, what words or phrases does he or she use to convince you that he or she is right?
7. What pieces of evidence are the most believable? Why?
8. What pieces of evidence are the least believable? Why?
9. Is there anything that the author said where you think you need more "proof"? Explain.
10. What would it be like to see this event through the eyes of someone who lived in this place during this time?