



HEIMLER'S HISTORY

# Sourcing Documents for the DBQ

Using a document to support an argument:



1. Explain the **contents** of the document.
2. Demonstrate how the document **supports** your argument.
3. **Source** your document.
  - a. You must source **three** documents for full points.

SOURCING SKILLS			
Historical Situation	Audience	Purpose	Point of View
<b>Key question:</b> How is the larger historical context of this document significant to the argument?	<b>Key question:</b> Why is the audience of this document significant to the argument?	<b>Key question:</b> What was this document meant to do, and why is that significant to your argument?	<b>Key Question:</b> <u>Why</u> does he/she say <u>what</u> he/she says <u>in the way</u> that he/she says it? And why is that significant to your argument?
Begin your sourcing like this:	Begin your sourcing like this:	Begin your sourcing like this:	Begin your sourcing like this:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "In the context of..."</li> <li>• "This document was written during..."</li> <li>• "This was written at the same time as..."</li> <li>• "During this time..."</li> <li>• "This was the era of..."</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "This was written to..."</li> <li>• "The audience for this document was..."</li> <li>• "The author was reaching out to..."</li> <li>• The author had X in his/her mind..."</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "The author's intent for this document was..."</li> <li>• "The author's purpose in writing this was..."</li> <li>• "The author wanted to motivate his/her audience to..."</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "The author's perspective was likely influenced by..."</li> <li>• "Given that the author was X, he/she was likely to believe..."</li> <li>• "The author would have been affected by..."</li> <li>• "The tone of the author suggests..."</li> </ul>