

# 5Ws READING COMPREHENSION CHART

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| <b>WHAT?</b><br>What information is being communicated?<br>What is this source's main idea?<br>What event/person/theme is this source about?<br>Does this source raise any further questions for you? |  |
| <b>WHO?</b><br>Who are the main people mentioned in the source?<br>Include information such as titles and birth dates or death dates when available   |  |
| <b>WHEN?</b><br>When do the events take place?<br>What range of time does the source cover?   |  |
| <b>WHERE?</b><br>Where do the events take place?<br>Include information such as city, country, town, etc.   |  |
| <b>WHY?</b><br>Why is the event or person significant?<br>Does the source answer the question "so what?" regarding the importance of the person or event covered?                                     |  |

## EXTENSION QUESTIONS: The Reliability of Sources

1. Does the author demonstrate any bias?
2. What kind of evidence does the author use to support his/her claims?

**BIAS:** prejudice or favour against or for a thing, group or person. Usually considered to be unfair.