

Primary vs. Secondary Sources

Primary Sources

Sources obtained by, coming from, or being direct personal observations or experiences

Art	Artifacts
Autobiographies	Diaries
Interviews	Journals
Letters	Music
News Footage	Newspapers
Personal Stories	Photographs
Poetry	Speeches

Secondary Sources

Sources created using information provided by someone else: for example, using someone's recollection to create the item

Textbooks
Encyclopedias
Biographies
Newspapers