



I use information from texts and artefacts to help me to find out about the past like a detective.



# Thinking like a Historian

**What is the  
question you want  
to answer using  
the sources?**

# Historians describe:

What is it?

What can you see?

How old is it?

Who made/wrote it?

What is it made from?

# Historians analyse:

Where do you think it came from?

What you think it was used for?

What does it tell us about the past?

Why do you think it was made/written?

# Historians evaluate:

Is it useful?

Does it have lots of information?

Does it help me to answer my question?

Is it a primary or  
a secondary  
source?

Primary Sources:

There were made or written  
during the time you are  
learning about.

Secondary Sources:

There were made or written  
after the time you are  
learning about.