**Source Assessment Worksheet**

Read the provided source/s carefully and write a response to the following questions…

**SOURCING (who wrote the sources and why?)**

*1. Who wrote this?*

I think the source was written by…

*2. What is the author’s perspective?*

I think the author’s background was…

*3. When was it written?*

The source was originally written…

*4. Why was it written?*

I think the source was originally written because…

*5. In what ways is it reliable and in what was is it not reliable?*

I do trust this document because…

I don’t trust this document because…

**CONTEXTUALISATION (What influenced the creation of the sources?)**

*1. When and where was this document created?*

The document was created…

*2. What was different then? What was the same?*

Society was different then because…

Society was similar then because…

*3. How might the circumstances in which the document was created affect its content?*

The document might not give me the whole picture because…

**CORROBORATION (Does it fit in with what other sources say?)**

*1. What do other documents say?*

The author agrees/disagrees with…

*2. Do other documents agree? If not, why?*

The documents all agree/disagree about…

*3. What are other possible documents?*

Another document to consider might be…

**CLOSE READING (What is written in the sources?)**

*1. What claims does the author make?*

The author is trying to convince me that…

*2. What evidence does the author use?*

The evidence used to support the authors writing is…

*3. What language does the author use to persuade the audience?*

The author is trying to convince me by…

*4. How does the documents language indicate the author’s perspective?*

I think the author chose these words in order to show…