Assessing with Primary Sources

Grade Level: 3

Standard(s) or Objectives:

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RI.3.6: Distinguish their own point of view

from that of the author of a text.

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RI.3.8: Describe the logical connection between particular sentences and paragraphs in a text (e.g., comparison, cause/effect, first/second/third in a sequence).

Library of Congress Resources:



Jamestown Exposition, 1607-1907. Norfolk, VA. Seal showing American Indian and European explorer shaking hands; ship in background.

http://www.loc.gov/pictures/item/2005677921/

Topic Background:

After five grueling months at sea, a small group of soldiers, laborers, and aristocrats from England completed a 3000-mile journey across the Atlantic and stepped off their ship to greet an unfamiliar new land. The year was 1607 and the land they chose to live on became the first permanent settlement of the British in North America.

Excerpted from:

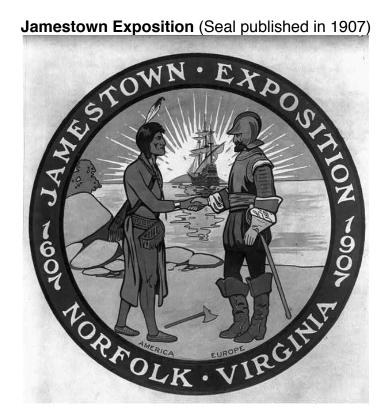
http://www.loc.gov/teachers/classroommaterials/primarysourcesets/jamestown/pdf/teacher_quide.pdf

Source(s) Used:

The source used for this assessment is a seal with a Native American and a European settler shaking hands with a ship in the background. It was created by an unknown author.

Answer Key:

Question 1: D Question 2: A **Directions:** Look at the picture below and answer the questions that follow.



Question 1: In the picture above, what best describes what the artist was trying to show? **(**CCSS.RI.3.6)

- A. The Native Americans were traveling to Europe.
- B. The Native Americans were saying goodbye to the Europeans before they sailed back to Europe.
- C. The Europeans welcoming Native Americans to their new territories.
- D. The Native Americans were making an agreement with the Europeans.

Question 2: Between the agreement and the Jamestown Exposition, what most likely happened first? (CCSS.RI.3.8)

- A. The agreement happened first, because otherwise Europeans could not celebrate it with an exposition later.
- B. The agreement happened first, because the Native American is by the "1607" side of the seal.
- C. The Jamestown Exposition happened first, because that is the title of the picture.
- D. Both happened at the same time, because that made it an important event.