

**SECONDARY
SOURCE
ANALYSIS**



**BOOK
REVIEW**



**LITERATURE
REVIEW**

What is the author arguing—why, how, when?

What does the author hope to accomplish—why?

Who is the author?

Who is the author writing for?

What sources does the author use—why and how?

What is your evaluation of the book?

How does it fit into and contribute to the literature?

What are the authors arguing—why, how, when?

Who are the authors?

What sources do the authors use—why, how?

What are the authors trying to accomplish—why, how?

Is there a “pattern” to their topics, questions, arguments, use of evidence?

How do the answers to these questions help clarify how historians look at and understand their topic and history in general?

How do the answers help others think about, understand, and study the past and what historians do?