

Use of Primary Materials

Introduction: Primary materials are also referred to primary sources. These are sources that offers first-hand, raw, untampered data.

Did you know?

Primary sources may also include published pieces such as magazines and newspapers!!

Primary sources were either created during the time period in question or were created at a later date by a participant in the events being studied, such as, a man giving an account of the day Jamaica gained its independence 50 years after. Primary sources enables the researcher to get as close as possible to understanding the lived experiences of others and discovering what actually happened during an event.

The video below provides examples of primary sources.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZJv-j2BP1zM&feature=emb_logo

Read slides 8-9 of the SlideShare for advantages and disadvantages of primary sources.

<https://www.slideshare.net/manukumarkm/source-of-data-in-research?ref=https://notesmaster.com/en/group/caribbean/1556-cape-covid19-support/25322-method-of-enquiry-primary-sources>