



Exploring the Past



Describe the society where the event took place.

How does understanding a society help you understand a historical event?

Who has a voice in the government? If everyone does not have a voice, describe.

Are people who are not white treated the same as those who are white? If not, describe.

Are men and women treated the same? If not, describe.

How are workers treated depending on their jobs?

Are all religious beliefs viewed as equal? If not, describe.

Are there any arguments currently taking place in this society? If so, describe.

Describe who was involved in the event.

How does understanding who was involved help you understand a historical event?

What position does this person hold in society prior to the historical event?

How might they be affected by the historical event? What will they gain? What will they lose?

How is life after the event different than life before the event?

What is the significance of the event?

Based on what you have learned by considering the context questions above, did the historical event break any patterns in history?