

A Bank, a Library, and a Hospital
The Legacy of Benjamin F. Harris and Julia F. Burnham
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Lesson Six: Students will use an analysis worksheet to better understand a photographic primary source.

Procedure:

- Distribute the photo analysis worksheet then show students the attached photo, but cover the names and dates. Tell students that this is a picture of Benjamin F. Harris with his son, grandson, and great-grandson. Students will then fill out the photo analysis worksheet.
- Encourage students to try to figure out when this photograph might have been taken. What do they know about B.F. Harris and what objects did they note that might help determine a date?
- Discuss, collect, and assess the photo analysis worksheet.

Attachment:

- Photo Analysis Worksheet developed by the staff of the U.S. National Archives and Records Administration <http://www.archives.gov/education/lessons/worksheet/photo-analysis-worksheet.pdf>

Analysis of Local Primary Sources: The photograph is a primary source found in the Harris Vertical File at the Champaign County Historical Archives, Urbana Free Library, 210 West Green Street, Urbana, Illinois.

Ties to National Primary Source: No national primary sources are used in this lesson.