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Building Connections: Seminole Wars

A 4th Grade history and research unit

Day 1 Lesson What are Primary and Secondary Resources? "Finding Sources"

What do you know?

- Discuss as a class:
 - •What are primary and secondary resources?
 - What were the Seminole Wars?
 - •What does it mean to research something?
 - •What is a Veteran?

Let's dive in and practice!

- •Take notes as you work through the "Finding Sources" presentation.
- Practice identifying sources as primary or secondary.

Day 2 Morning Work "I'm a Primary Source For..."

I'm a Primary Source For.	
Name	Date
What was the event that you witnessed?	
What did you witness?	
How long was the event?	
What did you actually experience?	
What was the most memorable part of the event for you?	

Day 2 Lesson "Seminole War Sleuth"

Let's check out some sources!

- •With your group, at each station:
 - •Inspect your source...read it together and think about what information you gathered.
 - Think about what you learned yesterday...is your source primary or secondary? How do you know?
 - Discuss what do you found most interesting about your source.

Day 3 Morning Work

"Research Poll" Google Form

Day 3 Lesson How do Primary and Secondary Resources help researchers?

Take a look!

- 1. How can a portrait help us if we are researching someone?
- 2. What can you learn about Osceola from looking at this portrait?
- 3. Is a painting a primary or secondary resource?



1863 Portrait of Osceola

Now you know!

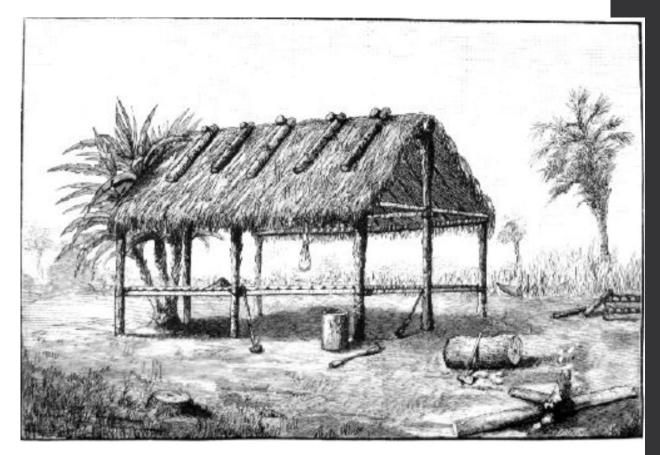
- 1. A portrait can show us what someone looked like, how they dressed, their age at the time, and more!
- 2. We can see what he looked like and how his clothing reflected his culture. The caption also tells us more about his name
- 3. It depends if it was painted at the given time in history or after the fact!



1863 Portrait of Osceola

Take a look!

- 1. What does this illustration show us?
- 2. Why do you think there is not a photograph of this dwelling?

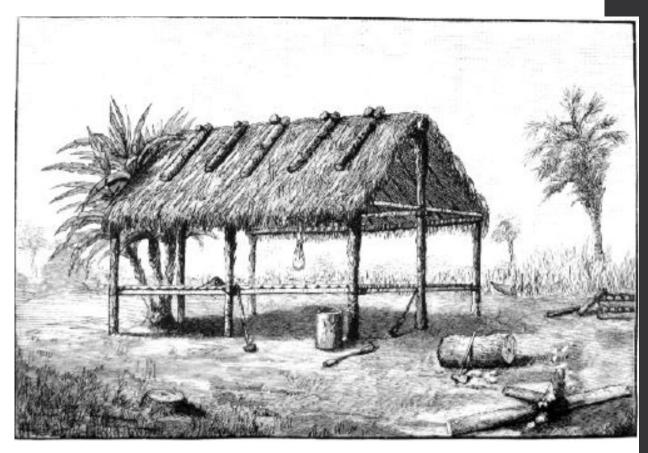


SEMINOLE DWELLING.

1887 Depiction of a Seminole Dwelling

Now you know!

- 1. We can see what a Seminole house or shelter looked like. We can see the materials used and compare it to modern day living.
- 2. There may not have been cameras at this time in history or they were not available to everyone.

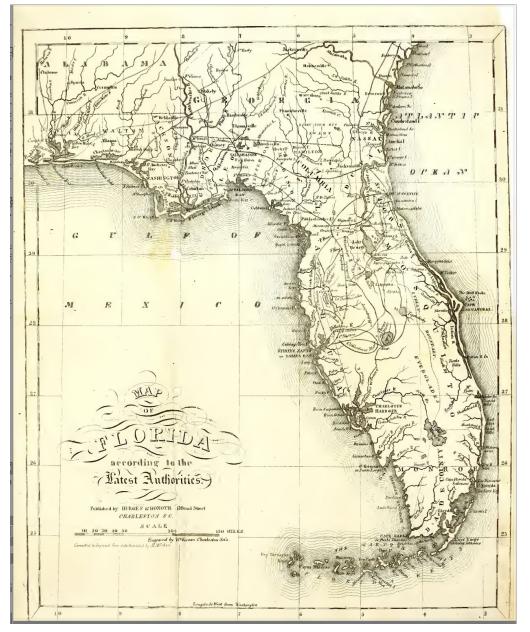


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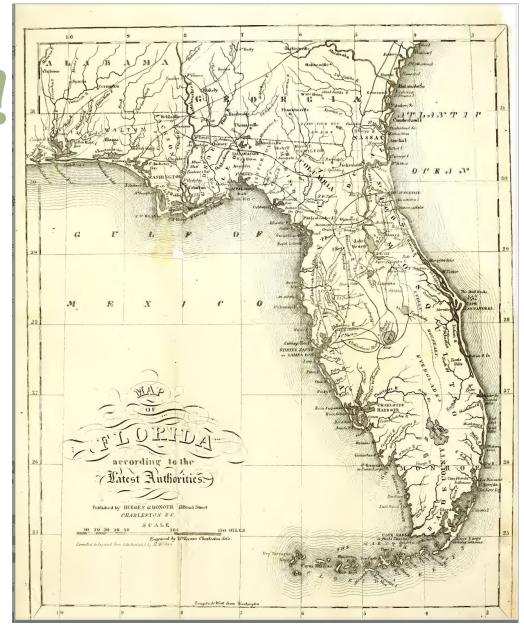
- 1. What type of source is a map?
- 2. What does this map show us?
- 3. Do maps of a place stay the same over time?



1836 Map of Territory of Florida

Now you know!

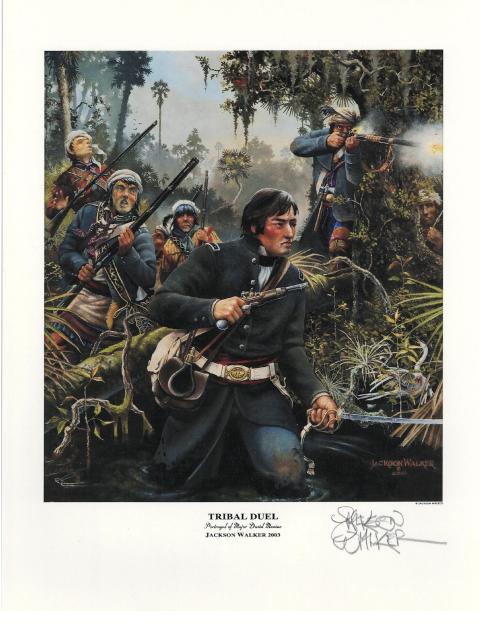
- 1. Maps are primary sources.
- 2. This map shows Florida before it was a state in 1836, it was a territory.
- 3. No! Places change, but so does technology and perception. A map shows us how a mapmaker perceived a place at that given time.



1836 Map of Territory of Florida

Take a look!

- 1. How is this painting different from the portrait or the dwelling?
- 2. What can we learn from this painting?
- 3. How is the caption helpful?



Painting of David Moniac in battle Used with permission of Jackson Walker

Now you know!

- 1. This painting shows a moment in time; there is action displayed.
- 2. We can visualize the battles, the setting, and the emotions of the men.
- 3. It tells us who we are looking at. It also tells us that this painting is a secondary source – painted in 2003.





Painting of David Moniac in battle **Used with permission of Jackson Walker**

More Sources:

- •There are many other sources that you can use to research a person's life.
- •When researching a Veteran, you may be able to access documents relating to their military career.
- •Many documents are not publicly available for many years to protect the privacy of individuals.
- •Combining information from primary and secondary sources can help you to piece together a person's story.

Newspaper Articles:

Newspapers:

The Pittsburgh Gazette (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania) · 17 Feb 1838, Sat · Page 2

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•give a secondary account of an event or important person, etc.

From the Baltimore Chronicle, Feb. 14. FROM FLORIDA.

We are indebted to the Charleston Patriot or a slip from that office, which places us in possession of the latest intelligence from Flori-

There has been another fight with the Indians. It book place on the 24th wh., on the Locke Hatcher, and it is said the Ladians were defeated, though with a loss on the part of our troops of nice shilled and thirty wounded.

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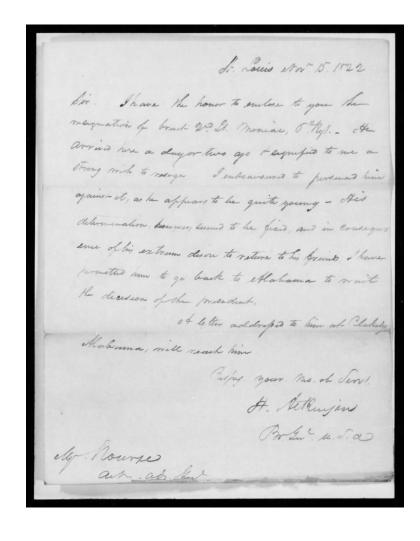
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The Tennessears generally behaved well. The number of the Indians considerably more than has been supposed. The Indian loss very trifling, as for as has been ascertained; their provisions, cattle and unmunition, ascertained to be plenty. They never have fought on fair terms; in every fight except Capt, Powell's they have had advantage of ground. There they had it in mambe s, but came out into open ground Jesup fought seross a creek, and after the ac tion discovered that his force was sufficient to have surrounded their position, which, from the information I have received, cannot cover more than ten acres of ground. They had holes morticed in the trees, pickets set up so as to cov-er them and form blinds, and had cleared away the hammock on the side Jesup attacked them. which exposed his men altogether, without their a reing the enemy."

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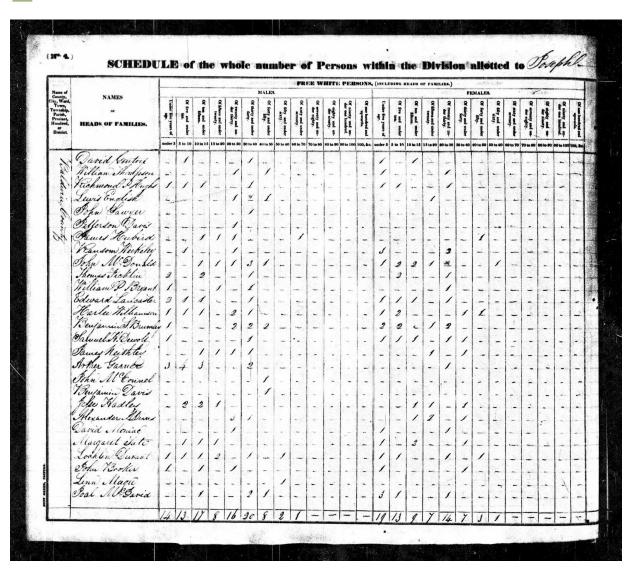
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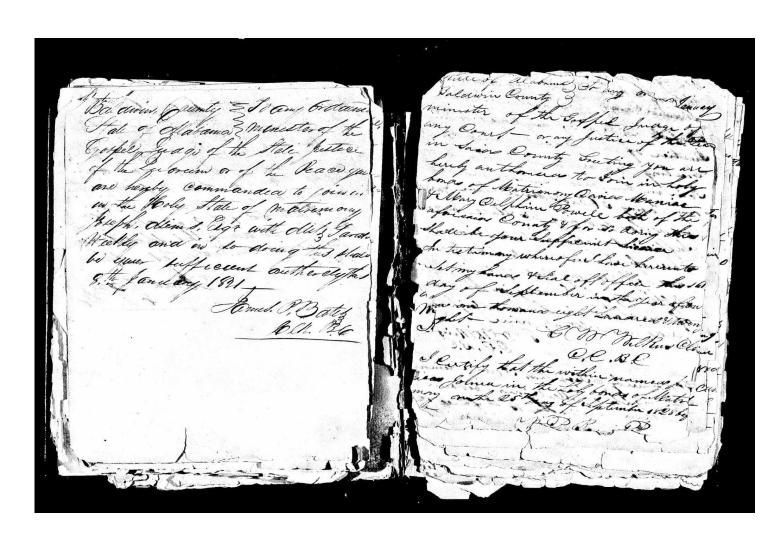
•give a firsthand (primary) account with personal experiences and/or emotions

Census Reports:

-tell where someone was living and other information about their families, jobs, etc.



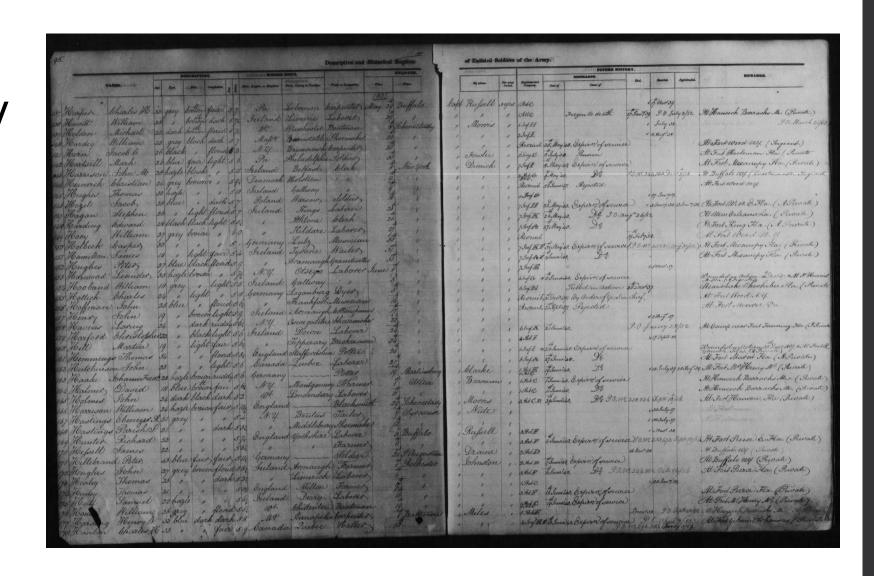
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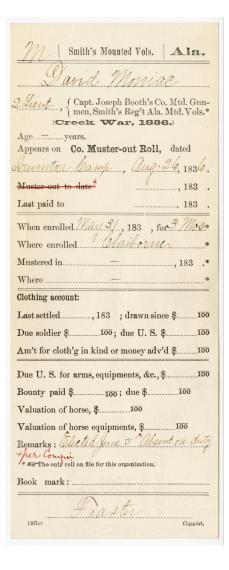
 share important moments in a person's life and family

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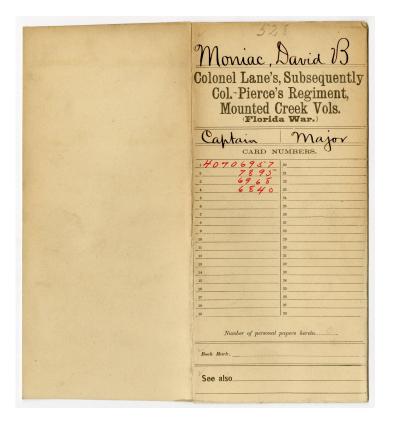
share a key moment (often the start) of a Veteran's military career



Military Records:



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These are only some of the sources researchers use!

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Day 4 Morning

Work

Cursive Tracing

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Day 4 Lesson Who were the Seminoles? "Seminole War Internship Packet"

Florida's Native Tribes

- Have your notebook ready to take notes.
- Think about what it would have been like to live in this time period.

Day 5 Morning Work "Transcribing Cursive"

Day 5 Lesson What were the Seminole Wars?

"Seminole War Internship Packet"

What were the Seminole Wars?

- Have your notebook ready to take notes.
- •Think about how your would feel if your home was taken from you.

Day 6 Morning Work "Be a Detective"

Day 6 Lesson Who will you research?

David Moniac or Alexander Ramsey Thompson?

- Listen and learn about each of these Veterans from the Seminole Wars.
- Decide which Veteran you would like to research for your project!

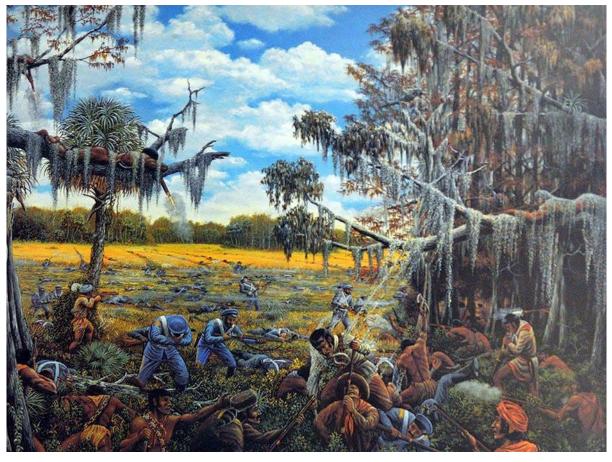
David Moniac

- A Creek Native American from Alabama who fought in the Seminole Wars
- Attended West Point Military Academy (he fought for the United States)
- •We saw a painting of him on slide 16!

Alexander Ramsey Thompson

- A Veteran from New York who fought in the Seminole Wars
- Well known for his leadership in the Battle of Okeechobee
- You can see a painting of that battle scene on the next slide.

Alexander Ramsey Thompson



The Battle of Okeechobee

Project Guidelines:

- Use your "Research Organizer" to learn as much about your Veteran as you can.
- Record all of your sources.
- •Create a presentation about your Veteran (PowerPoint, poster, etc.).
- •Share what you learned with the class 3-5 minute presentation.

Day 7 Morning Work "Be a Detective"

Day 7 Lesson Time to research!

Research Time!

- Search through your primary sources to see what you can find!
- Use .org, .edu, and .gov websites.
- Check out the library.
- •Be sure to record your sources and your information on your "Research Organizer."

Day 8 Morning Work "Be a Detective"

Day 8 Lesson Keep researching!

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Day 9 Morning Work "Be a Detective"

Day 9 Lesson Start your presentation!

Presentation thoughts:

- •How can I creatively share what I learned?
- •What visuals will I include? (photos, illustrations, maps, documents)
- •How can I honor my Veteran's life and legacy?

Day 10 Morning Work "Be a Detective"

Day 10 Lesson Wrap up your presentation!

Presentation thoughts:

- •Did I include the most important information?
- •Will my audience understand who my Veteran was?
- What will I say when I am presenting?(Plan notes!)

Day 11 Lesson Presentation Time!

Be a good audience:

- Use listening ears and attentive eyes.
- •Do not interrupt (even if you already learned something or have something to add).
- Save questions until the end.

Day 12 Lesson Presentation Time!

Be a good audience:

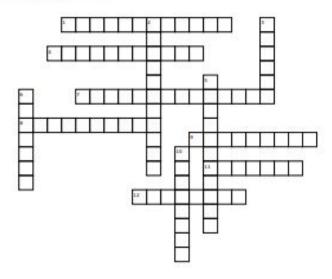
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Recap:

- •What did you learn from your classmate's presentations?
- •Did they find information that you also did? How about something that you did not?
- •Why is it important to use many sources in our research?

Morning Work "Crossword Puzzle"

Use this chapter's vocabulary list to solve the crossword puzzle.



Down:

- the job of taking care of something and protecting it
- a part of a land settled by people from a far distant land
- 5. the study of the artifacts of the past
- the traditional housing of the Seminole people
- 10. an object made by a human being

Across:

- the name of Spanish explorers who came to the Americas during the 15th century
- 4. to not have been defeated by force of arms
- 7. the study of historical writing
- original or native often used to describe societies of people with a unique language and culture
- something made up of mismatched variety of pieces or parts
- a Seminole leader who fought during the 2nd Seminole War
- 12. a nation of people native to Florida

Day 13 Lesson "Seminole Patchwork Activity"

Day 14 Morning Work "Reflection Time"

Day 14 Lesson "The Seminole Chickee Activity"

Day 15 Lesson Field Trip Time! "Seminole War Themed Mini-Tour"

St. Augustine National Cemetery Tour:

- •We will focus on the Seminole Wars and the Veterans that are buried here.
- •Think about what we have learned the last few weeks and make connections!
- Use your "Show What You Know" page to take notes to share with your family.