

HISTORY DAY CALIFORNIA



Deconstructing a Project



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Agenda *

Make it Engaging

Make it Original

Make it Matter

NHD *Roadmap*



WE ARE HERE:



- ✓ Identify the theme
(Turning Points in History)
- ✓ Choose a Topic
- ✓ Craft a Research Question
- ✓ Primary & Secondary Source Research
- ✓ Thesis Statement Construction
- 📍 Deconstructing a Project



CORE COMPONENTS OF A PROJECT



- Claim/Thesis
- Context
- Primary Sources
- Connection to Theme
- Multiple Perspectives
- Historical Significance
- Clarity & Student Voice

Signal Phrases



What: a phrase, clause, or even sentence which **leads into** a quotation or statistic

Why: An essential element of NHD -

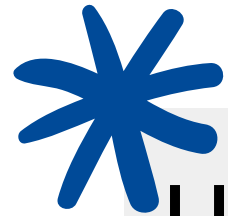
- **introduce** source material
- indicate **where** source material comes from.
- **shape** your reader's response to a source through appropriate word choice

How: An essential element of NHD -

- Generally include the **speaker/author's name** and some **justification** for using them as a source
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Deconstructing a Project with *Signal Phrases*



Use signal phrases to help you identify when the speaker

- **Uses evidence to:**
 - **Support their claims**
 - **Drive their argument**
 - **Builds the historical landscape**



tinyurl.com/nhdsignalphrases



ENGAGE WITH EMOJIS!

 Historical Context

 Thesis

 Primary Sources

 Connection to Theme

 Multiple Perspectives

 Historical Significance

On the toolbar,
click the
Reactions
button.



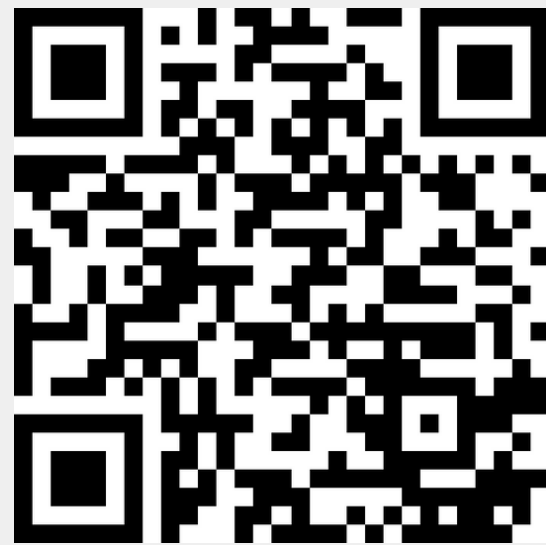
... Engage while you listen

Make it Meaningful



Signal Phrases

Track the use of signal phrases on the signal phrases handout



React with Emojis

- 👏 Historical Context
- 👍 Thesis
- ❤️ Primary Sources
- 😂 Connection to Theme
- 😮 Multiple Perspectives
- 🎉 Historical Significance

THINK ALOUD:

WHAT DID WE HEAR? WHAT DO WE THINK?



- **Engaging Start**

- **Thesis**

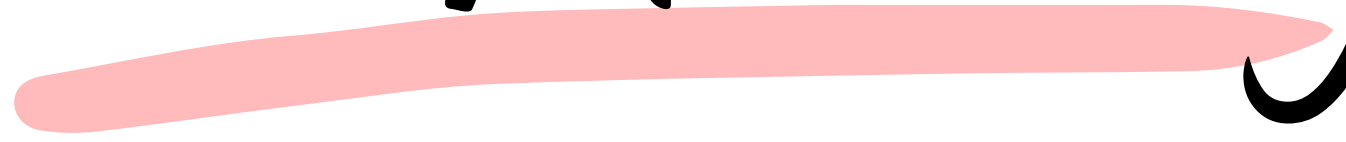
- **Counterargument**

- **Connection to the Theme**

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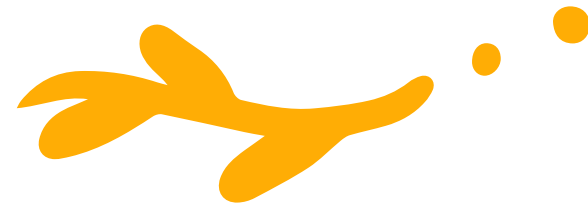
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THINK ALOUD:

WHAT DID WE HEAR? WHAT DO WE THINK?



- **Historical Context**

- **Music**

- **Signal Phrase**

- **Primary Source Evidence**

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React with Emojis

- Clapping hands emoji Historical Context
- Thumbs up emoji Thesis
- Red heart emoji Primary Sources
- Laughing face with tears emoji Connection to Theme
- Yellow face with open mouth emoji Multiple Perspectives
- Party popper emoji Historical Significance



THINK ALOUD:

WHAT DID WE HEAR? WHAT DO WE THINK?



- **Primary Source Audio**

- **Signal Phrase**

- **Student Voice**

- **Connection to Theme**

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THINK ALOUD:

WHAT DID WE HEAR? WHAT DO WE THINK?



- **Signal Phrase**

- **Primary Source**

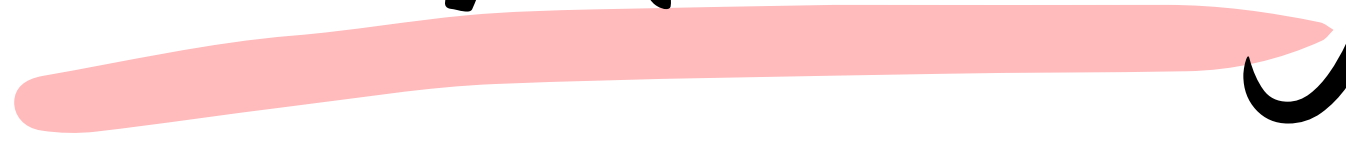
- **Student Voice**

- **Analysis**

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- Clapping hands emoji: Historical Context
- Thumbs up emoji: Thesis
- Red heart emoji: Primary Sources
- Laughing face with tears emoji: Connection to Theme
- Yellow face with open mouth emoji: Multiple Perspectives
- Party popper emoji: Historical Significance



THINK ALOUD:

WHAT DID WE HEAR? WHAT DO WE THINK?



- **Recreating the Historical Moment**

- **Primary Sources**

- **Intersectionality**

- **Ethical Dimension**

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- Laughing with tears emoji: Connection to Theme
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- Party popper emoji: Historical Significance



THINK ALOUD:

WHAT DID WE HEAR? WHAT DO WE THINK?



- **Signal Phrase**

- **Multiple Perspectives**

- **Counterargument**

- **Primary Source to Drive Argument**

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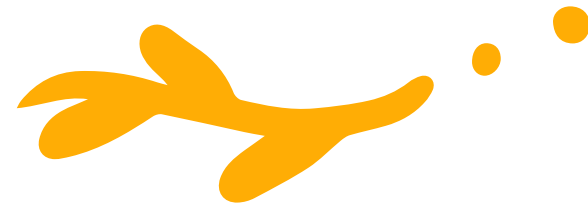
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THINK ALOUD:

WHAT DID WE HEAR? WHAT DO WE THINK?



- **Student Voice**

- **Analysis**

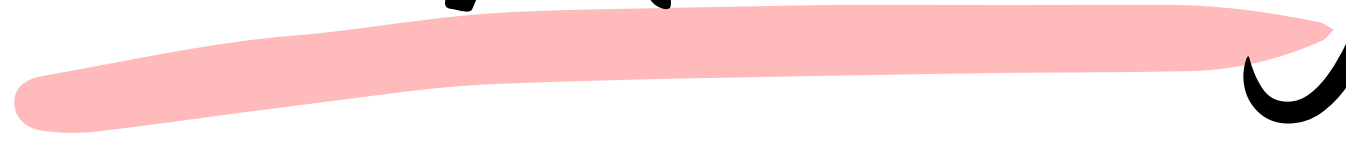
- **Consequences**

- **Primary Sources**

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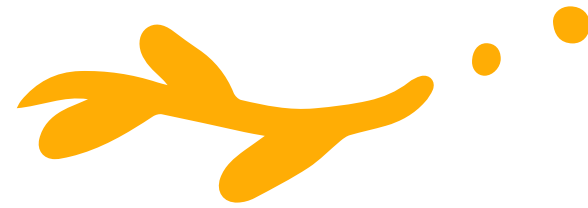
React with Emojis

- Clapping hands emoji: Historical Context
- Thumbs up emoji: Thesis
- Red heart emoji: Primary Sources
- Laughing with tears emoji: Connection to Theme
- Surprised face emoji: Multiple Perspectives
- Party popper emoji: Historical Significance



THINK ALOUD:

WHAT DID WE HEAR? WHAT DO WE THINK?



- **Historical Significance**

- **Primary Sources**

- **Student Voice**

- **Connection to Theme**

Do It Yourself!



Deconstruct a project (or projects) on your own!

Access projects at nhdca.org/sample-projects/

Use our the signal phrases handout and our [note-taking guide](#) as you deconstruct a project!



<https://tinyurl.com/NHD1026>

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QUESTIONS

