

CW6.2 – The Primary Source Toolbox: Scott's Great Snake



Scott's great snake. Entered according to Act of Congress in the year 1861 by J.B. Elliott of Cincinnati.
Source: Library of Congress, <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.gmd/g3701s.cw0011000>

1. What **strikes** you in reading this document? What sorts of things **leap out** at you? What **grabs** your attention?

Make two or more observations.

2. What **puzzles** you? What don't you get? What do we need to talk about & to try to figure out? What do you find out here that you didn't know, or that **challenges** something you thought you knew?

Ask two or more questions.

3. What **patterns** do you see? How does this source relate to other sources from this time? What concepts, images or key words keep coming up?

Identify at least one pattern.

4. What **connections** do you see? Does this source remind you of a source or issue from **another historical era**? Does this source remind you of a source or issue from **contemporary times**?

Note one or more connections.