READING LIKE A HISTORIAN



Nat Turner (8.7.2)

Background:

When historians seek to understand events of the past, they read many primary and secondary sources. They must determine which sources are credible and which should be discounted. Only then, can historians craft an argument on the nature of historical events.

Prompt:

Was Nat Turner was a hero or a madman?

Task:

In a well thought out response:

- State a claim in response to the prompt, using the prompt as a sentence stem.
- Support your claim using at least three pieces of evidence from the documents.
 - o Be sure to explain why the evidence you selected supports your claim.
- Incorporate an additional piece of evidence that argues against your claim.
 - Use this additional piece of evidence as the basis for a counterclaim