

Directions: Use the “SOAPSTone” technique to analyze each of the primary sources.

SOAPSTone is a strategy that can be used to analyze speeches, letters, political cartoons, posters, photos, artist representations, or almost any other primary source. It will help you build skills in: developing arguments; analyzing points of view, the situation/context, bias, and change over time. The goal is to help you better understand the time period and people of it by examining their points of view.

The parts include of the **SOAPSTone** include:

S: speaker

O: occasion

A: audience

P: purpose

S: subject

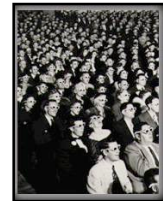
Tone: tone

SPEAKER: Who or what delivers the message of the passage? (This may not always be the author.)

OCCASION: Where and when was the passage produced? What was happening there at that time?



AUDIENCE: For whom was the document produced? Who is it targeted towards?



PURPOSE: Why was the document produced?

SUBJECT: What is the main topic of the document?

TONE: What feeling or attitude does the document express? Explain.

Books, Films etc: title, publisher to be used in formal citation.

Websites: Name of website, dates you accessed them and the complete URL of the site.