

Big Idea Card

Big Ideas of the Lesson 6, Unit 1

- Historians investigate the past by (1) framing problems to study, (2) selecting and analyzing available evidence, (3) organizing their information, and (4) creating the account.
- Four tools that historians use to organize information include significance, social institutions, time, and space.
- Ideas about significance can vary among historians.
- We can determine whether an event is significant by constructing and applying rules or theories about what makes an event important.
- Organizing an account by significance is important for both the historian and reader.