SOAPStone

Directions: Using the source provided, answer the following sourcing questions. Be sure to provide explicit evidence from the source to support your answers.

SOAP Stone	Sourcing Questions	Sourcing Answers	Evidence from source: What evidence from the source leads you to your answer?
Speaker	Who is the speaker? What do you know - important background information - about this person that may help you better understand his/her perspective?		
Occasion	What is the context in which the person is speaking? Identify the particular place and time to have a better understanding of context. What events might have influenced the speaker?		
Audience	Who is the intended audience? Who is the speaker directing their message to? How might the audience influence the way in which the speaker creates the message?		
Purpose	What is the main idea or message of the document?		
So What?	Why is this message significant, given the time in which it was written? Why should anyone care?		
Tone	What attitude is expressed by the author?		

Adapted from College Board.