


# Historian

Thinking Like a Historian

- ⦿ Asking Questions
- ⦿ Identifying Sources
- ⦿ Analyzing Evidence
  - Assumptions
- ⦿ Providing Context
  - Fishing in the Sea of History
- ⦿ Historians' Job
  - Interpreting the Past
    - Making an Argument (Answering that Question)
  - Whose History?
  - Who Cares?
- ⦿ Fear and Freedom



A **historian** studies **history** which is the study of past events. They study the causes and effects of events from various perspectives or points-of-view. They study the people who are the important key people and their decisions. They study political, social, and economic events. This could include different types of governments, laws, and conflict (wars). There are many different types of historians who focus on specific aspects of civilizations. Look at the graphic to the left to see how historians gather and interpret information necessary for their research.

For this role, you will answer the following questions.

Historian--You will research the history of your kingdom.

Use the Internet information linked above to answer these questions specifically related to history:

1. What is a good definition of a historian in your own words?
2. How did your kingdom begin?
3. What factors led to the growth of your kingdom?
4. Who were the important people?
5. What caused the decline of your kingdom?