

Name

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# Written Document Analysis Worksheet

(1) Type of document (check one):

- Newspaper
- Letter
- Patent
- Memorandum
- Press release
- Congressional record
- Map
- Advertisement
- Census report
- Telegram
- Report
- Other

(2) Unique physical characteristics of the document (check one or more):

- Handwritten
- Notations
- Interesting letterhead
- "Received" stamp
- Typed
- Other
- Seals

(3) Date(s) of document: 1888

(4) Author or creator of document: William Sewell

Title or position of author: Son

(5) For what audience was the document written? His mother

(6) List three things the author said that you think are important.

- a. It has bin rainy
- b. I am hunting for a country where there is none
- c. he owns 60 acres

(7) Why do you think this document was written? to tell his mother about his life.

(8) What evidence in the document helps you to know why it was written? Quote from the document. "it has been rainy." he kind of tells the things happening

(9) List two things the document tells you about life in the United States at the time it was written.

- a. "we walk alot"
- b. "there is a lot of land"

(10) Write a question to the author that is left unanswered by the document.

Why did you leave home

William Sewell