

# Historical Thinking Skills

## Corroboration (1)

*considering important details across multiple sources to determine points of agreement and disagreement*

George Rogers Clark's Memoir	Captain Joseph Bowman's Field Journal
<b>Date</b> <span style="float: right;"><input type="checkbox"/> Agree <input type="checkbox"/> Disagree</span>	
<b>Number of Men</b> <span style="float: right;"><input type="checkbox"/> Agree <input type="checkbox"/> Disagree</span>	
<b>Crossing the River and Marching</b> <span style="float: right;"><input type="checkbox"/> Agree <input type="checkbox"/> Disagree</span>	
<b>Camping</b> <span style="float: right;"><input type="checkbox"/> Agree <input type="checkbox"/> Disagree</span>	
<b>Weather</b> <span style="float: right;"><input type="checkbox"/> Agree <input type="checkbox"/> Disagree</span>	
<b>Standing Water and Floods</b> <span style="float: right;"><input type="checkbox"/> Agree <input type="checkbox"/> Disagree</span>	
<b>Marching Again</b> <span style="float: right;"><input type="checkbox"/> Agree <input type="checkbox"/> Disagree</span>	
<b>Attitude of the Expedition</b> <span style="float: right;"><input type="checkbox"/> Agree <input type="checkbox"/> Disagree</span>	

**What can you know about Clark's journey to Fort Sackville, given these two accounts? Give three examples.**

1.

2.

3.

**How are the documents similar and different in style (word choice, language)?**

**Do these two documents agree? Where do the document agree with each other? Where do they disagree? Give three examples.**

1.

2.

3.

**Given what you have learned, use the scale below to rank the level of *corroboration* between these two sources. Finally, explain why you picked the ranking you did.**

Ranking:

**1**

**2**

**3**

**4**

**5**

No corroboration    Little corroboration    Some corroboration    Much corroboration    Total corroboration

Explain Your Ranking:

**What conclusion can you draw based on the level of *corroboration* you chose? Do these two documents seem reliable? Why or why not? Is one more reliable than the other?**