

Primary Source Research

For this assignment, you will choose what interests you related to our course theme of social justice issues in language diversity and conduct primary source research related to your interests. This research is a first step toward the larger research projects we do in this class—use this step to figure out what you're interested in for our larger research project.

For this assignment, you have three choices:

- Write a survey and collect survey responses from 10 or more people,
- Collect 5-10 example texts (“texts” can include articles, songs, pictures, etc.), or
- Interview at least 1 person.

Your Primary Source research is due on Tues, Sept. 27. You'll show your research in class, not turn it in. If you do a survey, you'll show your 10 responses. If you collect example texts, you'll show your texts or pictures of them. If you conduct an interview, you'll show your notes from the interview or play a recording of the interview.

This assignment is worth 15 points, or 3% of your semester grade. Grading is all or nothing on this assignment: if you complete your Primary Source research by Sept. 27 and share it in class, you earn the 15 points.

Tip: Choose something that genuinely interests you! The material you collect for this assignment will become part of a research paper you write later in this course—you want to collect interesting, detailed material so that you'll have lots to analyze in it later.