PRIMARY VS. SECONDARY SOURCES

Worksheet A, to accompany Unit III, Lesson 1, “Who Were the Samurai?”

Read and discuss each of the following sources to determine if it is primary or secondary. Put a “P” in the blank next to the primary sources and a “S” in the blank next to the secondary sources. Be ready to justify your answer.

1. ____ The original Declaration of Independence.
2. ____ A recently written book about the American Revolution.
3. ____ The movie Pearl Harbor
4. ____ Newsreels from 1941 about the attack on Pearl Harbor
5. ____ A diary in which someone made entries every day
6. ____ A book that someone wrote years later about his or her early days
7. ____ A photograph of two people on their wedding day
8. ____ Your social studies textbook