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What Is History? - Vocab Cards

account]>

a description of facts and events at a specific time, usually from one person's perspective.

The principal wanted to know what happened to make such a mess in the cafeteria, so Mindy gave an account of the food fight.

Synonyms: narrative, report



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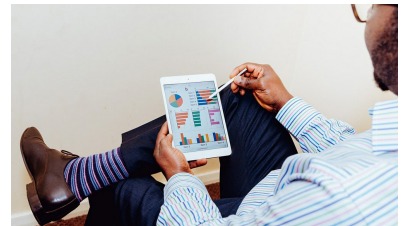
Draw this vocab word or an example of it:

analyze]>

to study carefully or in detail.

Karamo broke the company's budget down into different parts so he could analyze it and tell where they were overspending.

Synonyms: examine, break down



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context]>

the background or situation for something.

Knowing where and when a painter lived helps give _context_ to their paintings.

Synonyms: circumstances, conditions, factors



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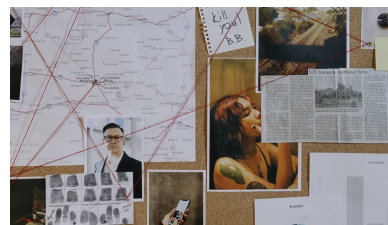
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evidence]>

the facts that prove or disprove something.

I found _evidence_ to support my conclusion about killer whales in a book about sea creatures.

Synonyms: proof



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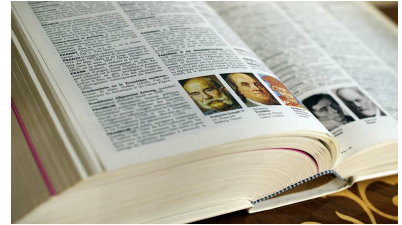
fact]>

something real or true.

A fact about my great-grandfather is that he was born in 1922.

Synonyms: reality, actuality, truth

Antonyms: fiction



Use this word in a sentence or give an example to show you understand its meaning:

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history]>

the study of the past.

In history class, we learned about the events and conditions that led up to the Civil War.



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primary source]>

a source usually created at the time in question that provides firsthand evidence. Examples include newspaper articles, photographs, diary entries, interviews and financial records.

I needed to use a _primary source_ for my research paper about women in colonial America, so I used Abigail Adams's letters to her husband John to support my thesis.



Use this word in a sentence or give an example to show you understand its meaning:

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research]>

study or examination done with the purpose of learning about a subject.

The scientist is doing _research_ on bacteria to learn more about them.

Synonyms: investigate, study



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secondary source]>

a source that was not created at the time being studied, but instead uses sources that were created at that time as evidence to draw conclusions. Scholarly books and articles are examples.

I am using this book on the Civil Rights Movement as a _secondary source_ for my research paper. The author analyzes interviews from several activists to draw conclusions about the era.



Use this word in a sentence or give an example to show you understand its meaning:

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theory]>

an idea that explains something, but may or may not be right.

A lot of evidence supports the _theory_ of continental drift, which explains why the continents look like puzzle pieces that could fit together.



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