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## Primary Source Descriptions of Women's Roles in the 1700s

Definition "Primary Source": the raw materials of history—original documents and objects that were created at the time under study (Library of Congress)

Directions:

- Select two Primary Sources and read them carefully.
- Fill out the worksheet's questions to guide your observations and make notes which will be useful for class discussion.

### Part 1: Source Information

#### *Primary Source 1*

Title:

Author:

Date:

Type of Document (letter, speech, law, diary, etc.):

Summary: What is this source about? (2-3 sentences)

#### *Primary Source 2*

Title:

Author:

Date:

Type of Document (letter, speech, law, diary, etc.):

Summary: What is this source about? (2-3 sentences)

## Part 2: Observations About Women's Roles

What roles do women have according to each source?

Source 1:

Source 2:

What responsibilities or expectations are placed on women?

Source 1:

Source 2:



How do these sources view women's role in society?

- a. Are they seen as leaders, caretakers, workers, or something else?
- b. Do these sources support or challenge traditional gender roles?

## Part 3: Reflection & Comparison to Today

How have women's roles changed since the time of these sources?

Do any of the ideas in these sources still exist in modern society?