Primary Resource Comprehension: Rachel’s Life at Ben Lomond

Reporting Category: Comprehension

Topic: Demonstrating Comprehension

Primary SOLs: K.2; K.12; 1.2; 1.10; 1.13; 2.8; 2.11; 2.12

Materials: Interactive Video; Information from Primary Source Document; Comprehension Worksheet (see attached).

Directions:

- Students will watch an educational video that includes:
  o A brief description of the slave quarters at Ben Lomond Historic Site and how enslaved people lived there.
  o The story of Rachel, who was rented to the Pringle family at Ben Lomond.
- Read the “Information from Primary Source Document” below.
- Complete the corresponding worksheet.

Information from Primary Source Document:

Andrew Pringle paid $25.00 for Rachel to work at his farm. Mr. Pringle gave Rachel food, three dresses, two pairs of shoes, socks, a bonnet, and a blanket. Rachel was enslaved at Ben Lomond for one year. We do not know what Rachel did at Ben Lomond but enslaved workers often cooked food for their owners and also planted and gathered crops on the farm.
Worksheet

1. How many slaves lived in one room of the slave quarters?

2. Where did the enslaved cook their food?

3. Match the pictures of Rachel's clothes below with the correct term.

   Shoe

   Dress

   Hat

   Sock