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Using the information you gather on the web site, answer the following questions about the unit.

1. One of the sources in this section is a promotional pamphlet produced by a Red Wing stoneware company. How can promotional pamphlets like this one be a good source for a historian?

What problems can this kind of source create for the historian?

What other information would prove these sources to be reliable or unreliable?

2. Legal documents like the one that set up the boarding house in Red Wing can help us learn much about the needs and operations of a company or person at the time. What does this source teach us about the needs of workers?

What can it teach us about the legal practices of the day?

3. Blueprints provide us with a detailed picture of a building and often of its contents as well. What can a blueprint of a factory tell us about the work that was done in the factory?

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What can it tell us about the time in which the building was created?

4. Photographs of workers in various industries can often give us an idea of the working conditions endured by laborers. How would you describe the working conditions of the workers in the clay pits as shown in the photograph on the site?

How might photographs of workers today be different?

How might they be the same?

How do you think working conditions have changed over the past years and why?
