

History: year 8 Unit 4: What do the Whitechapel murders tell us about life in Victorian London?

Knowledge score out of :			
Assessment: Using evidence: How useful is this source to a historian trying to explain why the police failed to catch 'Jack the Ripper'?			
			
How useful is this source to a historian trying to explain why the police failed to catch 'Jack the Ripper'?	I can pick at least one point of information from a source to describe Jack the Ripper or the police in Victorian England	I can use my knowledge to agree with at least one point shown in the source. I am starting to think about how useful the source is.	I can use detailed knowledge to agree with at least one point shown in the picture. I can also use detailed knowledge to show one other reason the police failed to catch Jack the Ripper that is not included in the picture. I can say who made the source and suggest one reason why it might have been made. I can explain if this makes the source more or less reliable.
What might this look like?	The police were blindfolded and couldn't find Jack the Ripper. Whitechapel was full of dark narrow alley ways.	The picture shows the police were blindfolded, meaning they couldn't see who Jack was. Using my knowledge I know that the Ripper worked at night in dark alley ways of Whitechapel and he could escape into the shadows easily.	On the one hand it is useful because it shows the police did not have help from the public – as someone in the back ground is shown to be removing a wanted poster. This refers to the public suspicion of the police. On the other hand it is limited because it doesn't show how there were 2 London police forces and they didn't share information to try and arrest the Ripper.
Key words and terms: Victorian, evidence, usefulness, Whitechapel, reliable, motive, provenance, purpose, exaggerate.			