

5 HABITS OF GREAT HISTORIANS

Great historians and teachers of history
focus on five key habits

1 Great historians always build background knowledge to understand the essential facts about a topic.

2 Great historians always notice the source of a historical document and evaluate its reliability by considering the audience, purpose, language, and point of view.

3 Great historians always consider the historical context and how time and place impact individuals and their perspectives.

4 Great historians always identify big ideas in history and the evidence used to support them.

5 Great historians always examine historical evidence to find similarities and differences between accounts and to determine what most likely happened and why.