“Song of Marion’s Men”
Document Examination Guide

Before Reading the Document, answer these questions.

1. What type of writing is this? Poem
2. Who is the author of this piece? William Cullen Bryant
3. When was it written? 1830
4. When was the Revolutionary War fought? 1775-1783
5. Is the writer writing from his/her own experience or someone else’s? Someone else’s experience

Read the questions below before reading. Think about them while you read. Then answer after reading.

6. What does this writing tell us about the memory of Francis Marion? He fought in a war and did heroic things.
7. What does it tell us about the memory of his militia? When they hid, they surprised attacked and hid again.
8. In what kind of conditions were they living? Uncomfortable, homeless, and not much provisions.
9. Do you think the author thinks Marion is heroic? How do you know? Yes, because he stopped the British from taking over.