Introduction to Historical Inquiry

Focus Question: Who kicked the ball over the fence?

Problem:

On Friday, April 22, 2016, after recess, Brandon, the ball monitor for the week in Mrs. Garcia's first grade classroom, came in and said that Brittany had kicked the class kickball over the fence where it was run over by a passing car. Brittany came in crying with a scraped arm and knee and said she did not do it.

Examine the documents to help Mrs. Garcia figure out the answer to the question – **Who kicked the ball over the fence?**

Documents:

- 1. Brandon, First Grader
- 2. Mrs. Rodriguez, Yard Supervisor
- 3. Brittany, First Grader
- 4. James, Fifth Grader
- 5. Newspaper Article
- 6. Office Referral

Explain your answer with evidence from the documents.

INCIDENT ACCOUNTS

#1 Friday, April 22, 2016 Brandon , First Grade

I had to go to the bathroom and I didn't want to take the kickball with me so I asked Brittany to hold it for me. As I was coming back, I saw the kickball go over the fence. It went into the street and a car ran over it and popped it.

#2 Friday, April 22, 2016 Mrs. Rodriguez, Yard Supervisor

I saw the kickball fly over the back fence and looked back at the area it had come from. I saw a little girl on the ground facing away from the fence and James H., a fifth grade troublemaker, running away. They were the only two students in the area. When I called James over, he denied kicking the ball over. I don't think Brittany could have kicked the ball that far and over the 15-foot back fence. She is pretty small.

#3 Friday, April 22,2016 Brittany , First Grade

I was holding the ball for Brandon when a big boy asked me for the ball. I said no and he tried to take it. I was holding on hard and when he pulled, I fell down and hurt myself. Then Brandon ran up and yelled at me, saying I kicked the ball over the fence. I didn't kick the ball. That big boy must have done it.

#4 Friday, April 22, 2016 James H., Fifth Grade

I was running over to the field to play kickball with my friends. I didn't kick the ball over the fence. That little girl just wants to get me in trouble. Office Referral

Mediana City Elementary School

Date: Friday, April 15, 2016

Time: 12: 23 p.m. (lunch recess)

Students: James H.

Carlos R.

Boys were reported to be pushing and kicking each other at the handball court. The problems began with name-calling.

James has a skinned up bloody knee. He is limping and crying. I called the father to pick him up.

Carlos fell and has a bloody nose and a cut on his arm. Mrs. Rodriguez (mother) has been called to pick him up.

Mr. Delgado, Yard Aide

THE MEDIANA CITY CHRONICLE

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Local Girl Winner at National Soccer Championship

-C. Garcia

Brittany is the new 2016 National Soccer Champion for Long Distance Kicking for Six Year Olds.

Spectators attending The National Soccer Competition recently held August 4-7 at Salt Lake City, Utah were amazed to witness the long distance kicking talent of six-year-old Brittany from Mediana City, California.

Brittany scored the winning goal for the Mediana City Marigolds soccer team by kicking a 40-yard field goal from midfield.

Her coach, Ms. Hernandez, said that Brittany could always be counted on for at least one goal per game, leading the Mediana City Marigolds to a 12-0 winning streak for the season.

Brittany's parents said that Brittany has always loved soccer and could be found outdoors in the backyard kicking a ball around since she was old enough to walk.

Grinning, Brittany says that she just likes to kick the ball and see how far she can make it fly.

Brittany received her trophy at the National Soccer Championship awards assembly held August 7th at 6:30 pm at the Salt Lake City Convention Center.

Focus Question: Who Kicked the Ball over the Fence?

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 Opening Sentence with your <u>Claim</u> (a claim is an opinion based on evidence in history) 	
In my opinion	
2. Supporting your Idea with <u>Evidence</u>	
 My evidence is According to Thesaid (title of the source) 	
3. Analysis of the evidence	
 This evidence shows This is important because 	