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## **Statement of Process**

Please answer the following questions about **how** you completed the assignment. This will help me to understand the thinking behind your interpretation and will provide you with a record of your learning at this stage as you move forward with your research.

1. How did you choose your topic? Please explain in as much detail as possible.

**I chose this topic because I was very interested in the types of relationships that the European men had with both First Nations women and European women. One of the interesting parts of this event was that European women knew that there husbands were having affairs and they were not bothered by the behaviour. Many of the men would leave their European families for extended periods of time and live with there First Nations wives.**

2. How did you choose your sources? Please explain your thinking that led you to choose the evidence you will use to interpret the topic.

**When I was looking for my sources, I looked for many different interpretations of the events that happened. I wanted to find informations that would show many different types of marriages whether they be successful or not. I wanted to attempt to find some situations where some unforeseen circumstances happened, for example; jealous wives harming or even killing there husbands.**

3. What assumptions did you bring to your research? For example, what preconceived notions about the topic did you have before you began your research? Did your sources cause you to reconsider those ideas? Please explain in as much detail as possible.

**Some of the pre conceived notions that I had before researching this topic was that many of the European women disliked the living situations, in regard to there husbands leaving the for prolonged amounts of time. In my sources I found that I was correct in some situations. There were times that the wives were bothered by there husbands leaving, but also there were situations were wives were perfectly fine with living away from there husbands for long periods of time.**

4. How has your view of the past changed as a result of the research that you have done? What unanswered questions about this topic do you still have?

**With the research I have done so far, my views have not changed. I am still trying to find journal entries and other primary sources from the event. So far in my research I do not yet have any unanswered questions.**

5. What will you do differently next time?

**When doing my research next time I will try to be more organized and prepared.**

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