

## Guiding Questions

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### Document A: FDR

1. **Sourcing** Who gave this speech and when? Who is the intended audience? How might that influence the content and tone of the speech?
2. **Close Reading** What four programs are included in the Social Security bill? How does Social Security represent FDR's program of "relief, recovery, and reform"? For each of the three words, write one quote or example that illustrates connections.

### Document B: NAACP

1. **Close Reading** What four groups does Houston say are excluded from Social Security?
2. **Corroborating** What would NAACP representative Houston say about FDR's speech (Document A)? Select a line from Document A: FDR and explain how Houston might disagree.

## Document C: Stealing

1. **Sourcing** What does the author tell us about herself? What kind of person do you think she is based on the information in this letter?
2. **Close Reading** What was M.A. counting on to support her in old age? And why has she lost faith that this will support her?
3. **Contextualizing** How does this author generally feel about the New Deal? How does her phrase “security at the price of freedom” capture those feelings?

Using information from the movie and all three documents, write one paragraph in response to the following question: *Which historical account of Social Security is more accurate, Degler's or Bernstein's?*