Primary vs Secondary Sources

Primary Source

A primary source gives you original research that is presented for the first time. In the other words, new finding and theories.

See the following examples:

- An article in a newspaper written by a journalist or freelance writer who was present at that specific event and is now writing about and describing what has happened.
- Journals that published latest or new finds.

Secondary Source

A secondary source does not present new information or research, but provides information or evaluations of previously presented research.

See the following example:

- Encyclopedias
- Review articles