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Date _____

Worksheet 2
The Immediate Family of B.F. Harris

Fill out as much information as you can using the page you have been given from the Harris Bible and the three sheets from the Harris autobiography. "B" is used for date born and "D" for date died. Because of missing information in the documents, some information has been supplied.

Benjamin Franklin Harris

B _____ in _____ D _____ Cause _____
Date Location Date

Married

1. _____ on _____ D _____
First Wife

Their child _____ B _____ D _____

2. _____ on _____ D _____
Second Wife

Their 1st child _____ B _____ D _____

Their 2nd child _____ B _____ D _____

Their 3rd child William J. Harris B 6/5/1849 D 5/7/1850

Their 4th child _____ B _____ D _____

Their 5th child _____ B _____ D _____

Their 6th child _____ B _____ D _____

Their 7th child _____ B _____ D _____

3. _____ on _____ D (unknown)
Third Wife

4. Sarah J. Millis / Mrs. Saysak Conwell on 11/7/1887 D _____
Fourth Wife

5. _____ on _____ D _____
Fifth Wife

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1. What information did you find confusing while trying to fill in the blanks?
2. In his autobiography, Harris made no mention of his third child with Mary Jane Heath. Why might William J. Harris have been omitted from his account?
3. Benjamin F. Harris also omitted mention of his third wife in his autobiography. Why might this have happened?
4. How complete is the listing of deaths copied from the Harris Bible? What additional information do you expect to see?
5. After doing this worksheet, what limitations have you noticed about using primary sources? How might you compensate for these shortcomings?