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Color-Coding Evidence

Directions: Read the paragraph below. As you read, look for **clues in the phrases** that tell you whether the paragraph is presenting a **Primary Source (firsthand, original evidence)** or a **Secondary Source (interpretation or retelling of events)**. After the passage, underline the exact phrases that reveal the source type. Use red for Primary sources and blue for Secondary sources in underlining.

In 1969, astronaut Neil Armstrong wrote in his mission log, *"That's one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind."* His handwritten notes from the Apollo 11 mission captured his direct observations of the lunar surface. Later that year, newspapers across the United States reported on the moon landing, using Armstrong's words and describing the reactions of people watching on television. Decades afterward, historians wrote books explaining how the space race influenced Cold War politics. One historian noted that Armstrong's achievement symbolized "the triumph of American technology and perseverance." More recently, a documentary combined original NASA footage with interviews from scientists, piecing together how the mission was planned and executed. Each of these sources (logs, newspapers, books, and films) provides a different lens for understanding the same historic event.

