

The Healthy City: Early Public Health

GATHERING THE INFO: *As you watch the webisode, complete this sheet. You may need to pause the webisode and/or watch it more than once to get all of the information.*


1. What were the two main explanations for Philadelphia's recurring yellow fever outbreaks?

2. Fill in the chart below.

Steps taken to clean Philadelphia and prevent spread of disease	Steps taken to calm Philadelphia during the yellow fever epidemic of 1793

EXPLORING PRIMARY SOURCES

1. *Pause at 1 minute, 48 seconds. According to the first four lines of the document, what are captains or masters of ships required to do when they reach the Port of Philadelphia? (Note: you will usually need to replace "f" with "s" as you read.)*



2. What procedure is illustrated in the image at 2 minutes, 25 seconds?

ANALYZING THE INFO: *The webisode begins with the following poem by Philip Freneau:*

Nature's poisons here collected,
Water, earth and air infected—
O, what a pity,
Such a city,
Was in such a place erected!

Does this quotation do a good job of describing Philadelphia in the 1790s? How about Philadelphia today?