Penguins Photo

Close Reading:

*What do you see? List words that seem important. List details of images.*

Observations:
- Penguins
- Large ship
- Ice
- Few people
- Odd color

Sourcing:

*What is your source? This is a color photograph.*

*When do you think it was produced?* Students will hopefully guess that it was taken in the last 50-80 years. When the photo is discussed by the class, I can add that this was taken by a military photographer of penguins and the U.S. Coast Guard icebreaker “Eastwind.” The photo was taken in 1956 in Antarctica.

Contextualizing:

*What are clues you know from prior knowledge that help you formulate a guess about the continent from which your source comes?*

Hopefully several students will know that penguins live in the Southern hemisphere. Given the ice, this must be Antarctica. During the discussion, this will be a good time to teach or review that only Antarctica is a continent. Because of the pictures of the thick ice in the Arctic ocean, many students mistake that for a continent also.

Corroborating:

*Join with another group and present your findings to each other. Does each group agree with the other’s analysis? Why or why not?*