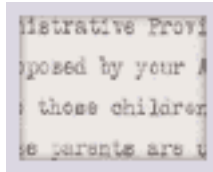


SOURCE 6

An exchange of letters between government officials and Monmouthshire Education Committee officials on providing spectacles for children 1908
(PRO ref: ED 125/11)



SOURCE 6A

SOURCE 6B

HOW TO USE THIS SOURCE TO HELP YOU ANSWER THE BIG QUESTION :

You need to study the source carefully before you decide whether it supports or contradicts any of the reasons in the Big Question.

ASK YOURSELF:

- What is the Monmouthshire Education Committee asking for and why?
- What does this suggest about the way the Liberal reforms have helped children?
- Should the credit go to the local authority or to the government?
- Lloyd George was very proud to be Welsh. Do you think he might have made use of this example in one of his speeches?

SOURCE 6A

MONMOUTHSHIRE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

COUNTY COUNCIL OFFICES

NEWPORT, MON.

5th February 1908

EDUCATION (ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS) ACT, 1907

Sir,

I beg to inform you that this Committee, at their last Meeting, decided to provide spectacles to School children suffering from defective eyesight in cases where parents are too poor to pay for them, and I am instructed to apply for your Board's approval, under Section 13(b) of the above Act, to this course.

I am, Sir

Your obedient Servant

(signed) JOHN W.HALL

SOURCE 6B

the Board of Education are prepared to give their sanction under Section 13(1)(b) of the Education (Administrative Provisions) Act, 1907 to the arrangements proposed by your Authority for providing spectacles to those children attending Public Elementary Schools whose parents are unable to pay for them.