Firsthand and Secondhand Accounts

Grade 4 Reading Worksheet - Building Confidence

Name _____ Date _____

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Text 2

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   - a person who was at the event
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3. Which sentence shows that the writer was at the event?
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4. How are the two texts different?
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