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**Case Study III.**

**CSI George Washington Propaganda**

Have you ever heard that George Washington uttered the phrase “I cannot tell a lie” or that Washington wore wooden teeth, and perhaps you have viewed the portrait of Washington kneeling beside his horse in solemn prayer prior to battle.

**Websites**

**Visit :** [**http://gwpapers.virginia.edu/education/kids/kids5.html**](http://gwpapers.virginia.edu/education/kids/kids5.html)

And read about Mason Locke Weems.

Click on the link to Parson Weem’s Story.

1. Was Weems a credible source? What did he have to gain by printing the

 stories?

**Examine this source. Discuss the popularity of this propaganda.**

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(Credible Source Investigators)

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<http://xroads.virginia.edu/~cap/gw/gwmoral.html>

Next, learn about George Washington’s Dentures by navigating this interactive website. When you complete the lessons, take the quiz and save or print the certificate for your files.

Source: Samuel D. Harris National School of Dentistry

“I Cannot Tell A Lie”

<http://www.dentalmuseum.org/gw/01teeth.htm> (September 7, 2011).

Listen to the NPR story about **George Washington: Separating Man From Myth,** February 21, 2011<http://www.npr.org/2011/02/21/133943644/George-Washington-Separating-Man-From-Myth>

In your CSI Team discuss reasons why these propaganda and myths about George Washington were popular?

Prepare to share during Debriefing:

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