FAHA Assignment • Chapter 6 • Measurement & Operationalization

A FAHA graduate compiles a corpus of diaries written by freedmen and freedwomen – people who had previously been enslaved – in both the United States and Brazil from 1865-1910. In no more than 200 words, please address the following questions:

- 1. What are one or two potential sources of noise in accurately interpreting the historical record from these diaries?
- 2. What is one effect of such noise?
- 3. Why does the noise have that particular effect?

Grading rubric

- Identifies a source of noise with respect to accurate interpretation of the historical record: +2
- Identifies the effect of said noise: +2
- Provides a compelling causal argument relating the source of the noise to its effect: +2
- Total points: X out of six