ANSWERS: pupils may not have got all the points but should have recorded some of them.

Task 3- Read each of the sources carefully then complete this table.

For each source, you need to answer the two questions in the table about it, in full sentences.

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| **Source** | **What does the source say about who Jack the Ripper was?** | **What problems does the source suggest the police might have had in solving this case?** |
| A | * That the public suspected it was a man working alone * He was wearing a hat * Possibly middle-aged and dark hair * One man looks poor and scruffy and one man looks rich and professional, so they aren’t really too sure about who he was. | The police did’nt have very reliable witness statements- they were vague and often conflicting (said opposite things to each other). They only really agree on that he was a man and wore a hat- which is difficult for pinpointing somebody. |
| B | * The source gives you no information about who Jack the Ripper was. The photos would be useful for identifying and describing the victims, but that’s it. | The police did not have access to forensic evidence and their ideas about evidence were quite weak. Photographing the eyes of the victim wouldn’t give you any information about the murderer, even though they might have believed this at the time; this process was actually useless. |
| C | * Average height * Right or left- handed * Wearing a hat * Possibly foreigner | Another unreliable witness statement. The information is vague (it doesn’t really tell you anything!) and seems untrustworthy as they think it is a foreigner although they haven’t seen their face or heard them speak. It could be a racist person trying to blame a foreigner for their own reasons, not actually to solve the case. |
| D | * Jewish. | The police removed the writing because they were afraid people would attach Jewish people. If this was real evidence, the act of removing it would have ruined the whole enquiry. |
| E | * He was a white male. * He was average height or below average height. * He was between 20 and 40 years old. * He did not dress as a labourer or a homeless person. * He lived in the East end of London. * He could be a doctor. * He might have been a foreigner. * He was right- handed. * He probably had a regular job, as murders took place at the weekend. * He was probably single so that he could commit the murders. | This profile is very broad and would cover lots of people. It shows the police really did not know who they were looking for. By creating this profile, the public would be able to accuse anyone as a lot of people would fit the profile.  Also, they is a lot of ‘could’ and ‘might’ so people didn’t really know what they were looking for. |