Quick Definition: Thinking historically means identifying and exploring the reasons why historical people, places, events, or ideas are worth remembering; that is, their historical significance.

Understanding something’s historical significance gives it meaning. In uncovering something's historical significance we gain purpose in our study of the past.

Practice!

Write an event in your life or the world around you: ______________ Using the above questions, what makes that event historically significant? Does something have to be significant for everyone for it to be historically significant? Explain.