Artifact Analysis Worksheet

1. PHYSICAL QUALITIES OF THE ARTIFACT

Describe the material from which it was made: bone, pottery, metal, wood, stone, leather, glass, paper, cardboard, cotton, wood, plastic, other material.

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2. SPECIAL QUALITIES OF THE ARTIFACT

Describe how it looks and feels: shape, color, texture, size, weight, movable parts, anything printed, stamped or written on it.

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3. USES OF THE ARTIFACT

A. What might it have been used for? _____________________________________

B. Who might have used it? _____________________________________________

C. Where might it have been used? _____________________________________

D. When might it have been used? _____________________________________

4. WHAT DOES THE ARTIFACT TELL US

A. What does it tell us about technology of the time in which it was made and used?

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B. What does it tell us about the life and times of the people who made it and used it?

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C. Can you name a similar item today?

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5. BRING A SKETCH, A PHOTOGRAPH, OR THE ARTIFACT LISTED IN 4C ABOVE TO CLASS.