

MATERIAL CULTURE: CULTURAL PRODUCT ANALYSIS WORKSHEET

Analyze this cultural product. Use the graphic organizer to capture your analysis. Your goal is to capture every tiny, minute detail of the image in words. Your observations do not need to be “unique” or “interesting”; simply write down what you see and whatever thoughts or questions arise as you analyze this cultural product.

First, only look at the image. Use your imagination to infer answers to anything that is not obvious by viewing, and do your best to ignore the accompanying text.

Next, read the surrounding text and add those details to the organizer, correcting any initial inferences as necessary. If your image refers to another page in the book, read the accompanying page(s) and add in any additional information you find.

Describe (materials, condition, markings, colors, symbols)	Deduce (Who made it, how was it used, why was it made)	Question (What can't the object tell you?)	Corroborate (What other sources would we need to research to learn more?)