Artwork analysis worksheet

Adapted from [the National Archives worksheet](https://www.archives.gov/education/lessons/worksheets/artwork)

# Meet the artwork.

1. Quickly scan the artwork. What do you notice first?

2. Medium (circle all that apply)

Painting Drawing/Sketch Engraving/Lithograph Mural

Sculpture Mixed Media Scene/Event

Landscape Abstract Portrait Other

3. What is the title?

# Observe its parts.

4. List the people, objects and activities you see.

People

Objects

Activities

5. Write one sentence summarizing this artwork.

# Try to make sense of it.

6. What do the colors, people, objects or activities represent?

7. Who made this, and when?

8. Does it depict a different time from when it was created? When?

9. What was happening at the time in history it was created?

10. What is the message? List evidence from the artwork or your knowledge about the artist that led you to your conclusion.

# Use it as historical evidence.

11. What did you find out from this artwork that you might not learn anywhere else?

12. What other documents or historical evidence are you going to use to help you understand this event or topic?