

Looking at an Object (page 1)

Name:

QUESTIONS

THINGS FOUND OUT BY LOOKING

Physical Features

What does it look like?

What color is it?

What is it made of?

Is it a natural or manufactured substance?

What do the materials suggest about its purpose?

Is the object complete or broken?

Is it worn, and if so, how?

Has it been altered or mended?

Do the wear patterns or mends reveal anything about the object's use?

Looking at an Object (Page 2)

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Construction

How was it made?

Is it machine-made or handmade?

Was it made in a mold or in pieces?

Design

Is it decorated? If so, describe.

How was the design made?

Is there writing on the object?

Does the writing or decoration suggest anything about the object's use?

Function

How might this object have been used?

How sure are you about your inference?