

Artifact Analysis Worksheet

1.	TYPE OF ARTIFACT Describe the material from which it was made: bone, pottery, metal, wood, stone, leather, glass, paper, cardboard, cotton, plastic, other material. _____
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. _____
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? _____ B. What does it tell us about the life and times of the people who made it and used it? _____ C. Can you name a similar item today? _____
5.	BRING A SKETCH, A PHOTOGRAPH, OR THE ARTIFACT LISTED IN 4C ABOVE TO CLASS.

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Questions for Class Discussion

Compelling Question:

How did the technology of these machines and the material of quilts change over time?

Supporting Questions:

1. How did African Americans of the south use these artifacts during the 1800s?
2. How did the economic/ social status of African Americans during the 1800s affect the availability of these resources?
3. How did these resources improve the lives of African Americans during the 1800s?