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Hour: 2 3 4 6 7



Personal Artifact/Document Homework

“Every Object Tells a Story!”

ARTIFACT ASSIGNMENT

Selecting a Document or Artifact

With the help of a family member or an adult who is close to you, look through the souvenirs of your life that have been saved as you have grown. These might include photographs, letters, a diary, a newspaper clipping, report cards or objects/artifacts. Select **one item** that “sums you up” and **tells a partial story of your life**. Try to avoid choosing something that only explains one small aspect of your life. Make sure this is something you are willing to share with your classmates and teacher. Once you have chosen your artifact or document, answer the questions below and then bring your artifact and this completed sheet back to school for an activity on **Friday, September 7th**

Cataloguing Your Artifact or Document – What would a historian or museum director want to know about your personal artifact?

1. What type of artifact or document is this? _____
2. What are its special physical characteristics? _____
3. Why was it written or made? For what purpose? _____
4. When was it written or made? _____
5. Who may have created it? _____
6. Who was the intended audience or user? _____
7. How does this artifact or document relate to you? What does it tell about your history? Use as many **details** as you can to explain how it applies to your life’s story.
