

Think like a Historian

Historians look closely at the past to learn what happened. They examine primary and secondary sources, as well as artifacts, to gain new understandings. Choose an artifact in a gallery to study. Look closely at the artifact itself, the label, and the images in the gallery.



Draw the artifact

What are you looking at?

Describe the physical characteristics of the artifact.

What connections or prior knowledge do you already have about this artifact?

Read about the artifact. Summarize what you learn.

From the label:

From the gallery:

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Topic:

Why is this artifact important to the story of Texas?

