



Image Analysis Worksheet

Presidential Portraits

Directions

With your group, first fill out the Background Information section of this worksheet. Then, together, analyze the portrait of your assigned president and complete the rest of the worksheet.

Background Information

List three facts about the president.

1.

2.

3.

Based on what you know about the president, list what you think were three of his best qualities, then describe why you think each is an important quality for a president to have.

1.

2.

3.



Objective Analysis

Describe exactly what you **see** in the picture without adding in personal feelings or opinions.

What is the setting of the picture (describe the place)?

How is the president dressed?

How is he posed (standing, sitting, facing front, side, etc.)?

What objects do you see (list at least 3)?



Subjective Analysis

What does the setting tell you about the president?

What can you tell about the president from his facial expression?

What can you tell about the president from his pose?

Why do you think the three objects listed in the Objective Analysis section were placed in the picture? What do you think they tell about the president?

How does this picture make you feel?



Conclusions

Why might the artist have chosen this setting? What does it tell you about the president?

Why might the artist have chosen this facial expression and pose? How does it make the president appear?

Why do you think the three objects you listed in the Objective Analysis section were included in the president's portrait? What do you think these objects tell about the president?

Do you think the artist successfully portrayed the qualities of the president? Why or why not?

How does this image support or change your view of this president?