The Getty
Villa

Pre-Visit Activity

Investigating the Past: What Art Can Tell Us

Your Name _____________________________________________________________

OBJECT INVESTIGATION REPORT

SEARCH the “Explore the Collection” section on the Getty website at http://www.getty.edu/art and choose an object that is currently on display in a gallery at the Getty Villa. Then follow the steps below and answer the questions about the object. When you visit the Getty Villa, you will find and observe this object in person as a part of your visit activity.

I. What object did you CHOOSE?

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II. LOOK closely at the object for 30–45 seconds. If there are multiple views available, examine those as well.

III. What do you SEE that makes you curious, interested, or amazed?

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IV. What is most SURPRISING about the object?

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V. **RECORD** basic information about the object:

a. Time period:

b. Place of origin:

c. Medium (What is it made out of?):

d. How do you think it was used and why?