| Source | 1) When was the object created?  
2) Who created the object?  
3) What kind of object is it?  
4) Can you tell the purpose for which the object was created?  
5) Where was the object made?  
6) Where was the object found?  
7) Where is the object located now?  
8) Why is all of this information important? |
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| Observe | 1) List everything you notice about the object: what it's made of, how big it is; the details what's inscribed, painted, or sewn onto the object – text, people, places, animals, plants, celestial bodies, mythical creatures, structures etc.  
2) To what extent does this evidence help you understand why the object was created? |
| Contextualize | 1) After examining this object, what can we say for sure about the world in which it was created?  
2) What other events, people, and places do you know of from this era? List them  
3) Using this information, what deeper meaning can you extract from the object? In what context can you place this object? |
| Corroborate | 1) To what use would you put this object as a historian?  
2) What questions do you have that would help you understand this object further?  
2) What evidence (primary or secondary) would help you answer your questions? Where would you go next? |