

Quick Start: Falsifiability Sheet (v5)

R2 OUTCOME RULE

R2 is not advisory. R2 must choose an outcome (Confirmed / Revise / Defer / Unproven) and add a 1-line reason. If unsure: Defer (needs evidence) or Unproven (not supported) and state what would change it.

Run one artifact through the sheet

1. Pick **one artifact** and **one narrow claim** (one sentence, testable).
2. Fill **CISI/context**: provenance, period, object type, museum/collection ID, and a stable URL or DOI.
3. Record **ORI** (reading direction). If unknown, mark N/A or low confidence - do not guess.
4. Record **OVR** (overlay/alignment). If not used, mark N/A.
5. Check only the **evidence types** you actually used (e.g., sign list, object description, provenance record, sequence test).
6. Set component confidence separately: **T/R** (reading), **P/A/O** (category call), **ORI**, **G/OVR** (glyph/overlay).
7. Write 1-3 **prep notes** that justify confidence choices (short, factual, citeable).
8. If you use AI, paste output into **AI comments** and mark a traffic light: **G** supported, **Y** plausible/incomplete, **R** unsupported/contradicted.
9. Run **R1**: reviewer verifies the evidence trail (not just the conclusion).
10. Run **R2**: second reviewer stress-tests contradictions, alternatives, or gaps.
11. Log outcome: **Confirmed** / **Revise** / **Defer** / **Unproven**. If reviewers disagree, log both.
12. Publish the completed sheet (PDF) with a back-link to the source record and supporting references.

Lean workflow: LIGHT pass logs traceability + provisional confidence. FULL pass adds R1/R2 (required for public-ready).

Field labels (glossary)

CISI	Collection/Institution + stable identifier (e.g., museum ID).
ORI	Orientation/reading direction decision (L→R, R→L, or N/A).
OVR	Overlay/alignment choice used to map a hypothesis; N/A if not used.
Evidence	Checkbox log of evidence sources actually consulted for this entry.
T/R	Transcription/reading confidence.
P/A/O	Category call confidence (Person/Animal/Object) when applicable.
G / G-OVR	Glyph-first mode and confidence in glyph ID and/or overlay placement.
R1 / R2	Independent peer checks: R1 verifies trail; R2 stress-tests contradictions.
AI G/Y/R	Risk indicator: Green supported; Yellow incomplete; Red contradicted.
Out of scope	Damaged/unclear artifacts or claims not responsibly testable with available evidence.

Baseline tip: start with already-deciphered material (e.g., Egyptian) to calibrate the rubric and reviewer behavior before contested scripts.

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