

Exhibit Analysis

Themes

1. What are some of the main themes of this exhibit?
2. What do you think the goals of this exhibit are?
3. What have you learned?
4. What do you still have questions about?

Audience

1. Who do you think this exhibit was designed for? Describe at least two specific “personas”.
2. Describe one example of an element of the exhibition that caters to one of the above personas?

Sources

1. Does this exhibit site sources for the information being presented? Give an example, if it does.
2. Does this exhibit attempt to make any arguments (presenting information that might be considered opinion or theory)? If so, how does it present evidence for that argument?

Objects

1. Describe the types of objects on display. Are they mostly from graves? Household or domestic settings? Something else?
2. Are all the objects on display from the same time period? If not, how is time a part of the exhibit? Does it group the objects by time period? Does it use timelines? Is the narrative of the exhibit chronological?
3. How is physical space represented? Does the exhibit use maps? If so, how does it use those maps? Does it relate them to the objects? Use it to explain general concepts?

Layout

1. How do people move through this exhibit? Does there seem to be a designated path? Where does that path take you? Does it move you through time, or space, or something else?
2. How does the layout effect what you are learning or seeing?

Critique

1. List some things you liked about the exhibit, whether it was content, layout, visual design, etc.
2. What didn't you like? Was anything confusing or misleading? Was anything hard to read or see? Explain why you did not like these things.