

Name _____ Section _____ Date _____

LT: I can explain how drawing on many different types of knowledge helps us ask and answer questions.

Do Now: Think about the attacks on 9/11. What kinds of questions would different people ask? Choose 2 of the following people and imagine what question they might have asked about 9/11:

- A historian:

- A kindergartener:

- A police officer:

- A doctor:

- A 5th grader:

Why are all these perspective useful?

Disciplines

Directions: Your job is to assemble the best research team possible to most deeply understand the event below. Fill out Part 1 and Part 2 of this worksheet to plan your research team’s approach to doing this.

Event: A construction crew is digging in South Street Seaport, and they find a skeleton. Next to the skeleton is foreign looking currency, a green glass bottle, and a gun. Who is it and what happened?

Part 1

1. Discipline 1: _____

What would someone from this discipline know or want to know about this object or event?

2. Discipline 2: _____

What would someone from this discipline know or want to know about this object or event?

3. Discipline 3: _____

What would someone from this discipline know or want to know about this object or event?

Part 2

1. What are the two most important questions your team would ask about this situation?

2. Why is your team the best team for the job?

Part 3

Disciplines & Big History

1. What are some big questions we ask in this class?

2. What is the benefit of using multiple disciplines to look at these questions? What kinds of disciplines can we use to answer them?

Supplementary– can be returned after class.

What are different types of Disciplines?

Social Sciences

Discipline	Description
Historian	Study of past events (can specialize in different areas or time periods)
Linguistics	Study of the human language
Literature	
Performing arts	Music, theatre, film, etc.
Religious studies	Can specialize in specific religions
Anthropology	Study of how people live and act now in order to explain how people acted in the past.
Archaeology	Study of artifacts (can specialize in different subjects or regions.
Cultural studies	Specializes in the study of one culture
Economics	The study of money

Science

Discipline	Description
Anatomy	Study of the human body
Botany	Study of plants
Ecology	Study of the environment/animals
Genetics	Study of people's DNA. Can determine races, diseases, etc.
Paleontology	Study of bones
Zoology	Study of animals
Chemistry	
Physics	
Astrophysicist	Study of space
Geologist	Study of rocks, the Earth's crust, etc.

Other Professions

Profession	Description
Agriculture	Farming, crops, soil, etc.
Architecture/Design	
Business	
Engineering	
Journalism	
Law	
Medicine	