Exploring Similarities and Differences Through Cultural Objects

Step 1



Walk around your home and notice all of the objects – books, pictures, toys, tools, quilts, food products, etc.

Think about:

What are the objects used for?

Where did they come from?

Step 2



Choose one of the cultural groups of immigrants that came to Lowell. Circle the group.

- Irish
- French Canadian
- Greek
- Portuguese
- Columbian
- Cambodian

Step 3



Look at the list of objects associated with that cultural group.

Pick a few objects from your cultural group and match them to three different categories in the chart below.

Step 4



Look at another cultural group's list of objects and find three objects that fit into your three categories.

Step 5



Look around your home at the objects you identified in Step 1, and place at least three of those objects into the categories.

Step 6



Look at all of the objects in your chart.

Respond to the following prompts:

What is similar or different about the objects in the categories?

Draw a picture of one of the objects from your house and write a two sentence description of it.

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