

Body Paragraph #3

Assignment

“Investigating the Past” – Chapter 1

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Teacher’s Sample and Advice...

1. Ask a question to the reader... put this as your first sentence...
2. Write a sentence about how social scientists look at objects and make “educated guesses” as to what the object is AND how it may have been used... its meaning... its purpose...
3. Find an example of social scientists doing this... and write an example (statue in cave)...
4. Find a second example of social scientists doing this... and write an example (spear thrower in cave)...
5. Find a proverb or “life lesson” and ... put this as your last sentence... (a stitch in time saves nine, working hard isn’t the same as working smart, etc. find one that seems to fit your personal paragraph about making “educated guesses” (hypothesis).

(indent five spaces... push TAB... indicates the beginning of a new thought... paragraph)

Question



Sentence 1

Sentence 2

Sentence 3

Proverb or quote or personal wise thought

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Teacher’s Sample

Did you ever have come across an object at home in your kitchen and not know what it was or what it was used for when cooking, and then ask your father what it was and how to use it? In a nutshell, this is exactly what social scientists do in their job; they look at things and make educated guesses. An example of this is when social scientists found a statue in a cave and they “guessed” that it was used to mark the entrance to a sacred place in the cave (my personal guess). A second example of this is when social scientists found what they called a “spear thrower” with a carving of a horse on it, and they “guessed” that the horse was placed on the spear for “good luck” during the hunt (again, my personal guess). By making guesses about objects and their purpose social scientists allow other scientists to move forward and prove them correct or incorrect (personal quote).

