The Story Within Worksheet

Date _______________

Team Members
Recorder__________________________  Engineer__________________________
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Reporter__________________________  Curator__________________________
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Task: Your research team has just arrived from the Galaxy Domesticus and is trying to write a description of an object you have found for a report to send back. Her Most Royal Highness has specifically ordered that your description must include these three categories: Function, Form, and Meaning (Utility, Aesthetics, and Context).

Directions: Examine the object very carefully and record information in each category.

Function (Utility)
This object is used for ________________________________________________

It is used by _________________________________________________________

Is the object sold? __________ If yes, what is its cost? ______________________

Is the object's primary function utilitarian, decorative, or both? _______________

Is it hard to learn to use it? ______________________________

How does one learn? ______________________________

Other ______________________________________________________________

____________________________________________________________________
Form (Aesthetics)

Shape __________________________________________________________

What are the parts? ________________________________________________

Measurements: Length_____ Width_____ Weight_____ Height_____

Size of Parts
____________________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________________

Color(s) _________________________________________________________

Smell ___________________________________________________________

Texture ____________________________ Condition ____________________

Is it considered beautiful or pleasing? ______________________________

Why and by whom? ________________________________________________

Other ___________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________________

Meaning (Context)

It was made by ____________________________________________________

It is about _____ years old because _________________________________

It is usually kept or stored __________________________________________

Meaning to its maker and its users ____________________________________

Sentimental, symbolic, and cultural importance _________________________
More Information

____________________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________________

Conclusion

We will name this object ____________________________________________

Its main purpose is: ___Function (Utility) ___Form (Aesthetics) ___Meaning (Context)

Explain: ______________________________________________________________
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Summary

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