Map Analysis Sheet

Looking the Map Over

1. What are the map’s title, scale, and orientation?

2. Who made the map, when, and for whom? How do you know these things?

3. What is the map’s purpose? How do you know this?

4. What is included in the map and what is left out?

   Cultural Features

   Natural Features
Assessing the Map

1. What does the mapmaker think is most important to show on the map?

2. How was the content of the map influenced by the circumstances in which it was made?

3. In what ways does the map enlighten your understanding of the history and/or historical geography of the area and period depicted in the map?

4. How does the map relate to current geographic patterns?