

Teacher's Guide to Focus Worksheets

PICTURE FRAME

1. Name as many animals as you can recognize on the picture frame.
Owl, hare, bear, fox, beaver, porcupine, squirrel, sea gull, heron, duck
 2. Other than animals, what other designs, shapes, or motifs does Tomah Joseph use? (Hint: look at the top and bottom of the frame.) Sketch them here.
 3. Now look at the photograph of Tomah Joseph and describe ...
his facial expression: *Not smiling, expressionless*
his clothing: *Fringed buckskin coat*
what he is holding: *A wooden bow and arrow*
 4. Do you think this is a candid "snapshot" or did Tomah Joseph pose for this picture? Explain your answer.
 5. Who might have sold this picture and frame, and who would buy it?
Tomah Joseph might have been selling this frame and picture of himself. A tourist might have bought it as a souvenir of visiting the area or of meeting Tomah Joseph.
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MAGAZINE HOLDER

1. Look at the front panel where Tomah Joseph signed his name. In two or three sentences, describe the scene that Tomah etched.
2. Look at the back panel. What else did Tomah Joseph etch?
wildcat, bear, wigwams, people in a canoe going after a deer, a person carrying a canoe, a rabbit smoking a pipe
3. What other designs, shapes or motifs did Tomah Joseph use to decorate the magazine holder? Sketch them here.
4. Who might buy this object?
A tourist looking for a souvenir of their visit or of meeting Tomah Joseph
5. Tomah Joseph often illustrated traditional Passamaquoddy stories. What story might the scene on this object tell?

LOG HOLDER

1. What animals did Tomah Joseph etch?
A wildcat and a hare
 2. Describe the scene on the front.
 3. What other designs, shapes or motifs did Tomah Joseph use? Sketch them here.
 4. Who might buy this object?
A tourist looking for a souvenir of their visit or of meeting Tomah Joseph
 5. Tomah Joseph often illustrated traditional Passamaquoddy stories. What story might the scene on this object tell?
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HANDKERCHIEF BOX

1. Look at the scene on the lid of the box. In one or two sentences, describe the scene that Tomah etched.
2. Look at the sides of the box. What animals do you recognize?
A hare, wildcat, porcupine, heron, turtle, and a seal on a rock
3. On one side, Tomah does not etch animals. Describe the three things he etches.
Two people paddling in a canoe, one person carrying canoe paddles and one person portaging, or carrying, a canoe
4. Other than animals and people, what designs, shapes or motifs did he use? Sketch them here.
5. Who might buy this object?
A tourist looking for a souvenir of their visit or of meeting Tomah Joseph