

Assessing a Memorial



Name: _____ Date: _____

| Name or description of memorial : | |
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| 1. What, or who, does this memorial commemorate? | |
| 2. Who built this memorial? When was it built? Why? | |
| 3. Describe (or draw) the appearance of the memorial (e.g., materials, size, composition). What does its appearance suggest to you? | |
| 4. What symbols and/or imagery are used in the memorial? | |
| 5. What words are on the memorial? | |
| 6. Is the location of the memorial important? Appropriate? In what ways? | |
| 7. What is the purpose of the memorial? What message does it convey? What did the creators of the memorial want us to think about or learn from the past? | |
| 8. How effective is this memorial? How well does it achieve its purpose? How does it represent the people it commemorates? | |
| 9. How do you feel about this memorial? What is your reaction? | |
| 10. How does the memorial reflect the historical context of the time when it was made or when the events occurred? Are the ethical standards of today different from those at the time it was made? | |
| 11. If you were to recreate this memorial, what features would you change? | |