

Object
Parts
Title
Interrelationships
Conclusion



- 1) Conduct an overview of the visual or graphic. What is this **OBJECT**?
- 2) Key in on the **PARTS** of the visual. If it is a graph or map, read all labels and axes and note any elements or details that seem important. If it is a picture, identify parts in the picture, then provide **HISTORICAL CONTEXT** for that picture.
- 3) Read the **TITLE** or **TEXT** (any important words) of the visual so that you are clear on the subject that it is covering.
- 4) Use the information from the first three parts to detect and specify the **INTERRELATIONSHIPS** that can be seen, **INFERENCES** that can be made, and **INTERPRETATIONS** that might be offered. Pay particular attention to how the visual may represent major trends for the region or the time period.
- 5) Draw a **CONCLUSION** about the visual as a whole. Sum it all up in one sentence. What does it mean?