

## **HANDLING SESSION IDEAS FOR CLASSROOM USE**

Use the following questions to lead or inspire discussions.

### **OBSERVATION**

What do you see?  
What can you feel?  
What shapes can you see?  
What colours?  
Can you see any patterns or decoration?  
Does it smell of anything?

### **DEDUCTION**

Who might have used this?  
What is it for?  
How does it work?  
What is it made from?  
Is it broken or whole?  
What is it?

### **REASONING**

Who owned it?  
What would you be doing if you used this object?  
Why is it made from these materials?  
How was it manufactured/made/created?  
Where was it used?

### **GENERATING YOUR OWN QUESTIONS**

Do you have any questions that you want to know the answers to?  
How can you find the answers?  
What kind of research should you do?  
Can you write out a research plan?

### **OBJECT INVESTIGATION**

Looking at objects can help us understand the people who made and used the object. The questions below look at objects in an order – observation, estimation and inquiry. Look, guess and find out more!  
What can you see?  
What can you guess?  
What else would you like to know?

### **FOLLOW UP ACTIVITIES**

#### **DRAWING AND WRITING**

You can describe your objects through drawing and writing about them. Try to pick up on all the tiny little details you may not always notice in a quick look!

## **DRAWING**

- Draw a still life of your objects
- Make line drawings
- Make tonal drawings
- Draw using your opposite hand
- Draw without taking your pencil off the page
- Take a quick look at the object then look away and try to draw from memory.

## **WRITING**

- Create a story to go with your chosen object
- Connect each object in the box into a story
- Write a poem about your object (how is a poem like a drawing? It describes the subject)
- Write a detailed description of your object for a report
- Write a postcard to the museum describing what you noticed about the objects

## **ANIMATION**

- Create a storyboard including your objects
- Make a set for your story
- Create characters from your story
- Animate it using free software for tablets or phone