

Cartoon Analysis Worksheet

Level 1	
Visuals	Words (not all cartoons include words)
<p>1. List the objects or people you see in the cartoon.</p>	<p>1. Identify the cartoon caption and/or title.</p> <p>2. Locate three words or phrases used by the cartoonist to identify objects or people within the cartoon.</p> <p>3. Record any important dates or numbers that appear in the cartoon.</p>
Level 2	
Visuals	Words
<p>2. Which of the objects on your list are symbols?</p> <p>3. What do you think each symbol means?</p>	<p>4. Which words or phrases in the cartoon appear to be the most significant? Why do you think so?</p> <p>5. List adjectives that describe the emotions portrayed in the cartoon.</p>
Level 3	
<p>A. Describe the action taking place in the cartoon.</p> <p>B. Explain how the words in the cartoon clarify the symbols.</p> <p>C. Explain the message of the cartoon.</p> <p>D. Who would agree/disagree with the cartoon's message? Why?</p>	

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