# **GEORGE WASHINGTON**

#### A PRESIDENT'S VISION

### AT FIRST GLANCE WORKSHEET

This worksheet will help you develop an initial analysis of the content and design of the *President's Vision* poster on George Washington. Carefully examine the poster, then write your answers to the following questions on a separate sheet of paper.

#### **TAKING A FIRST GLANCE**

- 1. When did George Washington serve as U.S. president? How many terms did he serve?
- 2. The poster features an excerpt from Washington's first inaugural address. Rewrite the quotation in your own words.

#### TAKING A KNOWLEDGE INVENTORY

- 3. What do you know about George Washington?
- 4. What would you like to learn about Washington and his presidency?

#### **READING THE NARRATIVE**

- 5. Why was Washington selected as the nation's first president?
- 6. Why did Washington describe his efforts as "walking on untrodden ground"?
- 7. Summarize the goal(s) of Washington's foreign policy.
- 8. List three of Washington's accomplishments as president.
- 9. How does this narrative add to your understanding of Washington?

## STUDYING THE POSTER DESIGN

- 10. List all of the graphic elements (such as paintings, documents, and images) that the designer used to create the poster.
- 11. As you scan the poster, what image catches your attention first? Why are you drawn to this image?
- 12. Consider the work of the poster's designer. List three important choices that he or she made in designing this poster. Explain why each is important.

#### **EXAMINING THE IMAGES**

- 13. What "story" about Washington does each of the poster's images tell?
- 14. Choose three images featured on the poster and explain how each image illustrates major points addressed in the narrative.
- 15. Use the poster to determine three characteristics of the United States during the years that George Washington served as president.

## **UNDERSTANDING WASHINGTON'S VISION**

16. In two or three sentences, describe the vision that guided Washington during his terms in office.

