AT FIRST GLANCE WORKSHEET

This worksheet will help you better understand the content and design of the President’s Vision poster on Theodore Roosevelt. 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 Theodore Roosevelt serve as U.S. president? How many terms did he serve?
2. The poster features a quotation from Roosevelt’s address to the New York State Agricultural Association. Rewrite the quotation in your own words.

TAKING A KNOWLEDGE INVENTORY
3. What do you know about Theodore Roosevelt?
4. What would you like to learn about Roosevelt and his presidency?

READING THE NARRATIVE
5. What economic situation did Roosevelt face when he assumed the presidency in 1901?
6. What did Roosevelt do to help counter the negative effects of industrialization?
7. What were Roosevelt’s views on U.S. foreign policy?
8. List three significant achievements of Roosevelt’s presidency.
9. How does the narrative add to your understanding of Roosevelt?

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, which 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 he or she made in designing the poster. Explain why each is important.

EXAMINING THE IMAGES
13. What story about Roosevelt does each of the poster’s images tell?
14. Choose three images featured on the poster. Explain how each illustrates a major point addressed in the narrative.
15. Use the poster to determine three characteristics of the United States during Roosevelt’s presidency.

UNDERSTANDING ROOSEVELT’S VISION
16. In two or three sentences, describe the vision that guided Roosevelt during his terms in office.

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