

MAP KEY ICON TYPE:

Names of items on the map ↓	<b>Questions to ask about the type of source [see map key icons]</b> (Directions: write answers in boxes below parallel with the name of the object under each icon of that type on the map of the Indian Ocean)			
	#1	#2	#3	#4

OBJECTS	What is it?
	How was the object made? What skills were necessary to create the object? Was it unique or “mass-produced”?
	What was the object used for?
	Who made, owned, and used the object?
	When was it made, sold, or buried? (OPTIONAL) Where is it now and how did it get there?
DOCUMENTS AND MAPS	What kind of document or map is it?
	Who created the document or map?
	For what purpose was the document or map created?
	What effect or impact do you think this document or map had in its time or afterwards?

TRAVEL ACCOUNTS	Who is the author of the travel account?
	What kinds of interests motivated the traveler and the author of the travel account?
	What form does the travel account take?
	What topics does the author find it worthwhile to discuss?
	What influence has the travel account had during its own and later times?
GOODS	What is it?
	How is this good or commodity produced for sale Can it be sold without processing?
	What is it used for? Was the good or commodity used in the manufacture of something else, or was it an end product to be consumed?
	Was the good or commodity a necessity or a luxury
GEOGRAPHY	Did this feature pose a challenge or make passage easy?
	Was the geographic feature a constant annual or seasonal event, or was it an obstacle that could only be crossed at certain times in the year?

TECHNOLOGIES	What does the technology help people to do?
	For what purpose was the technology used?
	What effect did it have on people who learned how to use it?
PLACES	Where is the place located?
	Why was the place important?
	Was it a natural place or a man-made place?
	What groups controlled or protected the place?
ROUTES	What important places does the route link?
	What geographic features does the route cross?
	What goods and people passed over this route?