

## Written Document Analysis Worksheet

(1) Type of document (check one):

- |  |   |  |                                   |
|--|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper         | <input type="checkbox"/> Memorandum           | <input type="checkbox"/> Map           | <input type="checkbox"/> Telegram |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Letter | <input type="checkbox"/> Press release        | <input type="checkbox"/> Advertisement | <input type="checkbox"/> Report   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Patent            | <input type="checkbox"/> Congressional record | <input type="checkbox"/> Census report | <input type="checkbox"/> Other    |

(2) Unique physical characteristics of the document (check one or more):

- |   |   |   |                                |
|---|---|---|--------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Handwritten          | <input type="checkbox"/> Interesting letterhead | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Typed | <input type="checkbox"/> Seals |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notations | <input type="checkbox"/> "Received" stamp       | <input type="checkbox"/> Other            |                                |

(3) Date(s) of document: July 6, 1803

(4) Author or creator of document: Thomas Jefferson

Title or position of author: President

Type text here

(5) For what audience was the document written? Meriwether Lewis

(6) List three things the author said that you think are important.

- a. In the journey, you are about to undertake the discovery of missouri.
- b. I aslo ask of you the consuls, agents, merchants, and any citizens to furnish you with those supplies.
- c. Should you escape those dangers and reach the Pacific Ocean.

(7) Why do you think this document was written? To help Meriweather Lewis get through his journey.

(8) What evidence in the document helps you to know why it was written? Quote from the document. "Our own consols in foreign parts where you happen to be, hereby instructed and required to be aiding and assisting."

(9) List two things the document tells you about life in the United States at the time it was written.

- a. They were going to cross the USA.
- b. They needed someone to map the area.

(10) Write a question to the author that is left unanswered by the document. who were the native tribes?