Analyzing Artifacts

Think about the following questions while you examine the artifact. Be sure to add your own good questions as they occur to you.

1. What do you already know about where the artifact came from? Where did this knowledge come from? Is it reliable?
2. Using your senses (sight; hearing; touch; smell; taste), what do you notice about the artifact?
3. What other objects is the artifact similar to? Why?
4. What is the purpose of the artifact? What evidence do you have for this idea?
    - What was it used for?
    - Who might have used it?
    - Where was it used?
    - How was it used?
5. What conclusions can you draw about the life and times of the people who used the artifact?

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