

## SOURCES TASK SHEET

# Artefact 1 – Lamp

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Name ..... Class .....

To fill out this task sheet watch the Map Hotspot 'Archaeology' then read Medieval Artefact 1 in the Sources tab. Complete the tasks below.

### QUESTIONS

1. What is an artefact?

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2. How do we know the artefact shown in **Medieval Artefact 1** is an artefact?

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3. Where is it on display?

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4. Where else can you find artefacts on display?

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5. The object was used as a candle. Why do you think medieval people needed candles?

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### CLASS DISCUSSION – What objects can tell us.

Discuss as a class for 5 minutes how this artefact may tell us about life in medieval Dublin. Use these topics:

- How the object was used.
- Where animal fat and moss might have been found to make the lamp light?
- Do you think there were any dangers to using these lamps? If so, what?
- How did Dubliners deal with the threat of fire? (If you need help read the Intro section in the Map Hotspot 'Streets').

## MUSEUM TASK

Imagine you work in a Museum. This object has just arrived on your desk with a note saying it will be put on display next week. Your job is to write a museum label to go on display beside the object.

Write four sentences in the space below. Consider using the information you already know about Medieval Dublin and what you think visitors would like to know about the object.

