Mystic Seaport Museum Music Analysis Worksheet

Step 1: Pre Listening

Name of Piece: ____________________________________________________________

Composer/Arranger/Lyricist: ________________________________________________

Year Written: ______________________________________________________________

What Voices will you hear on this recording?: _________________________________

Step 2: Listening

Listen to the piece once, all the way through, and form a general impression. During your second listen, identify any of the following characteristics that you can:

Tempo (fast? slow?):

Instruments used:

Tone or mood (happy? sad? nostalgic?):

Step 3: Post Listening

Summarize the lyrics. What is happening in the song?

Can you infer any deeper meaning from the lyrics?

What are some questions that this piece brings up for you?

Can you connect this music to any specific time period or historical event? How can you tell?

When and where would the piece be performed? Why would it be performed?