Illinois State Museum – MuseumLink – Behind the Scenes Evaluation of the Exhibit and the Students

Teachers can evaluate students for this activity by 1) evaluating the exhibit, portfolios or journals of the students' work and/or 2) having students answer these open-ended questions:

- 1. What new information did you learn about museum exhibitions and collections from this activity?
- 2. What new information did you learn about the topic selected for your exhibit?
- 3. What surprised you about the working with exhibits and collections?
- 4. What exhibitions and collections job did you like the best? Why?
- 5. What is the hardest thing about being a curator? Why?
- 6. What is the most important thing about collecting objects? Why?
- 7. Why is it important in museum careers to be able to work on a team?
- 8. Did the visitors learn something new from your exhibit? How do you know?
- 9. What would you change or do better the next time you put on an exhibit?
- 10. Give several reasons why your research on some objects could reach a dead end.
- 11. Why are the design and layout of an exhibit important?
- 12. What determines the kind of information that goes on an exhibit label?