

Additional Resources

GLOSSARY:

Analog Object: materials such as prints and photographs (Smithsonian Archives)

Archive: a repository or collection especially of information (Merriam-Webster Dictionary)

Categorize: one of the divisions or groupings used in a system of classification (Merriam-Webster Dictionary)

Collage: a work of art made by gluing of different materials to a flat surface (Merriam-Webster Dictionary)

Object Label: a label that describes an object in a museum or gallery and that provides basic and important information

SMITHSONIAN RESOURCES:

What does a Photograph Archivist Do?
Marguerite Roby

<https://siarchives.si.edu/blog/what-does-photograph-archivist-do>



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MAKING HISTORY, SHARING CULTURE
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Does your family have old photos in an album, box, attic, basement, or on your computer or phone? Here are some helpful tips to organizing and preserving your photographs to document the story of your family.

Did you know?

1. Classify your photographs by type of content.
2. Give the files or pictures names and dates.
3. Create captions or tag them with descriptive information.
4. If you have analog prints or photographs, make sure to properly store them in a climate controlled area and away from sunlight in order to prevent damage.
5. Before you store your photographs or prints, make a digital scan of the image and save it electronically with the descriptive information.

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Ever wonder how museums create the labels that describe the objects in an exhibition? Try the process out yourself.

Take a picture of a treasured family object. Print out the picture and create an object label that describes the object and its importance. Make sure to include:

- a) Object Information:
Name of object
When was it made?
Where is the object from?
Dimensions of the object
- Materials
- b) Credit Information:
Maker of the object
Photographer
- c) Short description/significance

Object Image

a)

b)

c)

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Using the grid below, create a collage of your family. Center your collage around a theme and find photographs that you can print out or photocopy. Then, cut out your images and paste them on the grid below. Think about your different family members, holidays, vacations, pets, or favorite moments.

The diagram illustrates a complex spatial arrangement of rectangles. A central orange rectangle is labeled "Theme:". This central rectangle is surrounded by other rectangles of various colors and sizes, creating a grid-like structure. The colors used include orange, blue, green, yellow, and red. The layout suggests a hierarchical or thematic organization, with the central orange rectangle acting as a focal point or a primary theme, and the surrounding rectangles representing related or sub-themes. The overall structure is composed of several interconnected rectangular blocks, some of which are further subdivided into smaller rectangles.