

PICTURES WORTH A THOUSAND WORDS

Complete the table for the two works you have chosen.

	Work #1	Work #2
Write the title of the artwork.		
What credit line information have you learned about the work?		
What sorts of people or figures appear in each work? What are they doing?		
Describe details such as geography, dwellings, and clothing, and explain what you think it would be like to live in each location.		
What symbols do you see? Are there objects or animals that seem important to the meaning?		
What does the title tell you about each work and the story it tells?		

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Now that you have explored two works and thought about the stories they tell, imagine that you could step into one of these pictures. Write your own short story in which you explain what this would feel like. Make your story come alive! Consider the following questions:

1. What part would you play in the painting?

2. What do you see, smell, and hear?

3. What is going on around you?

4. If you were to speak with another character in the picture, what would you say?

On a separate sheet of paper, write your story, using the information you have gathered and the ideas you have noted here. Then share your story with classmates.