**Excavation Journal**

 

**Welcome Archaeologists!**

Throughout the course, you’ll be keeping an excavation journal as a record of your personal exploration of world mythology as a historical archaeologist.

Your task is to use your excavation journal to record:

* Observations
* Notes
* Questions
* Ideas
* Images
* Sketches
* Maps
* Artifacts

in addition to responding to guided questions that reflect ideas and concepts from our assigned textbook, additional class readings, films, and discussions.

**Excavation Tools**

For eight (8) class meetings you’ll use a Dig Sheet to complete your excavation journal. Each Dig Sheet will provide you with:

* assigned readings for that class session (including individual and group readings)
* the required Guided Questions to respond to in your journal
* a chart of artifacts to be collected for each level

**Evaluation of Your Excavation Journal**

***You*** will determine the points/grade you earn for each Dig Sheet based on what level you complete:

* Field Director or A level
* Crew Chief or B level
* Shovelbum or C level

For eight (8) class sessions you’ll use the prescribed Dig Sheet to guide your work in your journal. As an example, for Dig Sheet 1: Greek & Roman you could complete Field Director level and earn 75 points and for Dig Sheet 2: Middle East you could complete Shovelbum level and earn 25 points. Your grade for the excavation journal will be entirely up to you.

**A Field Director (75 points each/total possible 600 points)**

**B Crew Chief (60 points each/total possible 480 points)**

**C Shovelbum (53 points each/total possible 424 points)**

Dig Sheets are listed under Syllabus on the left side menu of Canvas.