

**Animas Museum  
Junior Curator Worksheets  
Level 3**

**Classroom**



1. When was the first log cabin school built in Animas City?

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\*Bonus: What is important about that year?

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2. What qualifications were needed to be a teacher in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century?

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3. There are four portraits of United States Presidents in the classroom. Can you name these presidents?

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_

4. Using the La Plata County map, name the school located within the boundaries of the Montezuma National Forest.

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**UPSTAIRS**

What happened to the building featured on the upstairs landing? \_\_\_\_\_

Why is it important to preserve our local heritage? \_\_\_\_\_

**Native American Gallery**

1. What is the difference between a petroglyph and a pictograph? \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Why are some rings on the Tree Cookie spaced closer together while some are farther apart? \_\_\_\_\_

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3. What Native/Indigenous tribes or groups have called the Animas Valley their home? \_\_\_\_\_

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**Main Gallery**

1. How did the Pulaski get its name? \_\_\_\_\_

2. How many Durango firefighters have lost their lives in the line of duty? \_\_\_\_\_

3. Who was the civil engineer for the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad's line from Durango to Silverton?

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4. Who was Robert Dwyer and why is he important in the community's history? \_\_\_\_\_

## Downstairs Exhibits

1. In 1909 how much did it cost to sharpen five drill points? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What three things did you find surprising about Olga Little? \_\_\_\_\_

3. What was the primary product mined in La Plata County? \_\_\_\_\_ What was it used for?  
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4. How did *you* come to La Plata County? \_\_\_\_\_

## Joy Cabin

1. When and where was this cabin built? \_\_\_\_\_



2. Where is this item in the cabin? What was it used for?  
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4. Identify two things in the cabin that we no longer use today. What were these things used for?

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2. \_\_\_\_\_

5. Why is it important to preserve buildings like this one?  
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## Peterson House

1. Where and why was this house originally built? \_\_\_\_\_

2. What economic event started in 1929 and lasted throughout the 1930s? \_\_\_\_\_

3. During the 1930s families believed in "Use it up, wear it out, make it do or do without". Find 3 examples of this idea in the house.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. How would your life be different if you lived in the 1930s?