**MysteryQuest 39**                                    **Support Materials 2 (Activity Sheet)**

## Decoding Political Cartoons

**Cartoon:** _____

|  | **Features that I see** | **What this suggests or means** |
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| **Distortion:** People or objects are oversized, undersized, disproportionate or otherwise altered to create an impression | | |
| **Symbolism:** Objects and images are used to represent something else (e.g. a snowshoe represents cold; a beaver represents Canada) | | |
| **Composition:** The relative position of the people and objects is used to create an impression | | |
| **Words:** Labels, phrases and captions are used to describe the situation or create an impression | | |

| **Summary of overall message** | **Supporting details** |
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