Incorporating a Theme into a Tour

2022-2023 Mansion Docent Training

Hillwood Estate, Museum & Gardens

* Chooses a tour theme, most likely one brainstormed in class.
* Complete the worksheet below. This worksheet focuses on how the theme and objectives inform the “bookends” of the tour: the advance organizer and conclusion.
1. Theme: In a phrase or few words, what is your theme? Write it below.

Remember: Your theme enhances and pulls together the E-C-C framework in a new, exciting, original way.

1. Objectives: What are your objectives? Fill in below in the space provided.

Remember: They are clear statements of the outcomes you want for your visitors. They come from your theme and the framework. Use terms such as: describe, identify, explain, state, list, define.

After participating in this tour, visitors will be better able to:

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1. Advance Organizer: Write your advance organizer below. To help make sure it has the three parts, they are enumerated below. Write each part in each section.

Part 1 finds out what your visitors already know about Hillwood:

Part 2 gives a brief overview of what they will be doing:

Part 3 identifies the theme and framework of your conversation (a helpful hint: Refer to your objectives and restate them in a way that flows):

1. Conclusion: Write your conclusion below.

Remember: A conclusion summarizes the experience by going back to the advance organizer.

1. Evaluative Question: Write a question that finds out what visitors are taking away with them. Remember: It helps you understand if your objectives have been met, and is used to help you decide what to keep/change next time.