Understanding Colonial America Through Art

Select three objects that are dated before 1776. What do these objects tell you about the American colonies and the people who lived there?

Describe the Object What details do you see?	Sketch the Object	Connect with the Object What does this object tell us about the colonies and its people?

Understanding Benjamin Franklin and George Washington

Work with a partner to complete the graphic organizer.

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