**Cartoon Analysis Worksheet**

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| **Your Group:** |  |  |
| **Name of Cartoon:** |  | **Hour: Date:** |
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| **Level 1** |
| **Visuals** | **Words** (not all cartoons include words) |
| 1) List or describe the objects or people you see in the cartoon. | 2) Identify the cartoon caption and/or title. |
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|  | 3) Locate three words or phrases used by the cartoonist to identify objects or people within the cartoon. |
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| 4) Record any important dates or numbers that appear in the cartoon. |
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| **Level 2** |
| **Visuals** | **Words** |
| 5) Which of the objects on your list are symbols? | 7) Which word or phrases in the cartoon appear to be the most significant? Why do you think so? |
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| 6) What do you think each symbol means? |  |
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|  | 8) List adjectives that describe the emotions portrayed in the cartoon. |
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| **Level 3** |  |
| 9) Describe the action taking place in the cartoon. |
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| 10) Explain how the words in the cartoon clarify the symbols. |
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| 11) Explain the message of the cartoon. |
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| 12) What special interest groups would agree or disagree with the cartoon’s message? Why? |
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| 13) Check any of the persuasive techniques used in this cartoon: |
| [ ] symbolism [ ] caricature [ ] captioning and labels [ ] analogy [ ] irony [ ] juxtaposition [ ] exaggeration |

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