Name: Period:

# Analysis of a Famous Painting

### 1. Historical context

**a.** What was happening in this part of the world during the time period when this painting was created?

**b.** How did these historical events and circumstances influence this artist and this painting?

## 2. Artist Biography

a. What are the most important facts about this artist's life?

**b.** How did this artist's personal life influence this painting?

#### 3. Analysis of the Painting

**a.** Describe the subject(s) of the painting.

**b.** Describe any symbols in the painting, and their meaning.

c. Describe the style and formal elements of the painting.

d. Why is this painting relevant or meaningful?

#### 4. Contemporaries

**a.** List four contemporaries of this artist (artists working at the same time) and how their work relates to the work by this artist.

## **Related Works**

1. List three other works by the artist, and explain how they relate to this work.

## 5. Interesting anecdote

**a.** Include an interesting anecdote (funny story, little known fact, scandal) about the artist.