

Interacting with the painting: *The Veteran in a New Field*

Student Name _____ Date _____

The questions below go with the marked-up painting file

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Study this painting, and answer the following questions to the best of your ability:

1. What two objects suggest that this man is a veteran of the Civil War?
2. What object makes this man look like an ancient figure of death, the Grim Reaper?
3. What suggests that the man was feeling the effects of the hot day?
4. What may be a symbol of hope, regeneration, and better times ahead?
5. How do you think the roll call the next morning made James Wren and the other surviving men feel?

Homer's Civil War Veteran: Battlefield to Wheatfield

6. Winslow Homer divided this composition into three horizontal bands. On the far left edge of the painting locate the foreground.

7. On the far left locate the middle ground.

8. Where is the date that this was painted? It was soon after the Civil War ended.