Guiding Questions for Place-Based Inquiry

**Before beginning your research**
1. What do you know about this place?

2. If you can visit the place, describe it (you can also use Google Maps Street View or photographs of the location). What do you notice? What draws your attention? How do people interact with the place, if at all?

3. What questions do you have about this place? Where might you find answers to some of them?

**Research questions**
1. What is this place?

2. Where is it located? Why?

3. Who is connected to this place? Think about both past and present connections.

4. When was this place created? There may be several moments that are important: for example, a house may have been constructed in one year, occupied by a significant individual in another, and only commemorated as a historic site many years after that.

5. Has this place been marked as historic or significant at all? How?

6. What is significant about this place? Why is it important to learn about it?

**Reflection questions**
1. What have you learned about this place? What questions remain?

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