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Cost/Benefit Analysis: Three Gorges Dam

Anthropologist

Use the general and anthropologist websites provided on the Cost/Benefit Analysis: Three Gorges Dam lesson plan to answer the following question and Decision Grid.

Questions:

1. What types of sites or artifacts will be lost when this dam is completed? _____

2. About how many (or the value of) sites and artifacts could be lost? _____

3. What is being done to try and preserve some of the artifacts that are threatened?

4. Why is it important to preserve the past? Have them consider it from a cultural viewpoint, but looking at it economically would also be helpful (tourism, etc.).

Decision Grid:

In the column underneath 'Benefits', write down all the positive results of taking the action. Underneath 'Costs', write down all the negative effects.

Once you have done this, add up the score. A high Benefits score shows that an action should be taken, a high Costs score that it should be avoided. If it is not obvious whether or not you should implement the decision, consider each of the points you have written down before coming to a decision.

Costs	Benefits
Total:	Total: