**Integrated Learning Activity  
Pre-trip Immersion**

PLEASE TYPE the questions below and answer the questions using your favorite color. When you save this FILE – please add your name to the beginning of the file name.

Resources:   [www.historylink.org](http://www.historylink.org/)  what have you learned about Pike Place Market and Pioneer Square? What have you learned about Washington State?

<http://www.historylink.org/cybertour/PDF/pionsq.pdf>  (4 pages)

<http://www.chihuly.com/>

About Washington State

* Describe Seattle’s (Western Washington) unique geographic setting.
* What ‘earth forces’ contributed to this unique topography?
* How can Western Washington’s climate best be summarized?
* How has Seattle’s growth been influenced by its geographic setting?
* What challenges does the geographic setting pose for Seattle’s future growth?
* What fruit is Washington State internationally famous for growing?
* Who are Western Washington’s first inhabitants?
* What two European countries played an early role in the initial exploration of the American Pacific Northwest? Why were they exploring this region?
* What famous expedition marked the first significant US exploration of the Pacific Northwest?
* When was Seattle settled by non-native inhabitants? And, by who?
* Who is the City of Seattle named after?
* What two transportation events contributed to Seattle’s early growth, and why were they important?
* What event / discovery played a big part in Seattle’s early economic growth, and why?
* What catastrophic event had a huge impact on Seattle’s skyline? How did this event change building construction techniques?
* What famous companies were either started in or presented headquartered in Washington State?
* Smith Tower – what was this buildings original claim to fame? Who is it named after?
* What large international event occurred in Seattle during 1962? What iconic structure was constructed to commemorate this event?
* What event leads to the creation of the Pike Place Public Market? Why did this event occur?
* What is the name of the Pike Place Market pig? What is its purpose?
* What is a totem pole, and what is its relative importance to the native peoples of the PNW?
* What is the historical importance of Pioneer Square?
* Why are all the building constructed of brick?
* Many of Seattle’s streets and neighborhoods are named after whom? Give some examples.
* Early Seattle was much hillier and had substantially more wetlands than today. What project significantly changed Seattle’s topography, and how did it impact Seattle’s future growth?
* What event spurred the construction of the Pioneer Square Pergola?
* Why does Seattle have a subterranean labyrinth of sealed over sidewalks?
* Why does old town Seattle have many shaped intersections (triangle verse rectangular)?
* Dale Chihuly is a renowned artist:  Why is he famous and what is his connection to Washington State?