Methodology

How to introduce a document in English

To introduce a document in English you have to ask yourself those questions:

1/ What is it?

Text: biography, novel, thesis, article, law...

Other kinds of documents: graph, list, caricature, cartoon, picture...

Extract/excerpt : extrait

To extract from a book: extraire d'un livre

to quote: citer

a quotation : une citation

2/ Who did it and where was it extracted from?

Author, painter, cartoonist, writer, novelist, scientist, journalist...

3/ When was it done and what was the historical background at the time?

Date, century, year...

Example : 13^{th} century = 1200 - 1299

4/ What is it about?

Subject, point of view (propaganda, critical opinion, a satire), thesis...

How to describe a picture

1/ What is it?

A poster / on this cartoon / on this painting

A photograph taken at an oblique angle / a verticale angle (a "bird's eye view") / an aerial view / a sattelite image

2/ Who did it and where was it extracted from?

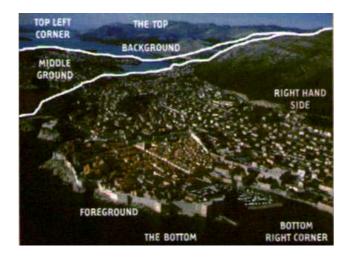
This poster / cartoon was drawn by... / An editorial cartoonist

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