Lesson 1.2 Worksheet Reviewing Whistler film Answer sheet

Answer sheet

Reviewing *James McNeill Whistler & The Case for Beauty*

Write the answers to the following questions:

1. Write three words or phrases to describe Whistler’s public persona or personality.
   - *Confident, belligerent, argumentative, thin-skinned, prickly, often charming, witty, sarcastic, at times fun to be with, unpredictable* (or similar terms and phrases)

2. Write three words or phrases describing Whistler’s appearance and/or what he wore.
   - *Black curly hair with a white lock that he sometimes tied with a ribbon, wore a monocle, carried a wand, careful or natty dresser, a dandy, color coordinated how he dressed with his art exhibition – once even wearing yellow socks,* (or similar terms and phrases)

3. Write three words that describe some of his work habits and art-making.
   - *Not serious – early in his career*
   - *Serious, hard working – later in his career*
   - *Experimental*
   - *Painted his Nocturnes from memory*
   - *Sketched incessantly*
   - (or similar terms and phrases)

4. At the beginning of his art career, what was Whistler trying to achieve or show in his art?
   - *He tried to paint realistic looking scenes of everyday life, in the style that would be called “Realism.”*

5. Towards the end of Whistler’s art career, what was Whistler trying to achieve or show in his art?
   - *His goal was to create beautiful art, “art for art’s sake,” that did not tell a story or have a moral.*