



MCNY Investigations
History Detective:
New York Interiors 1690-1906

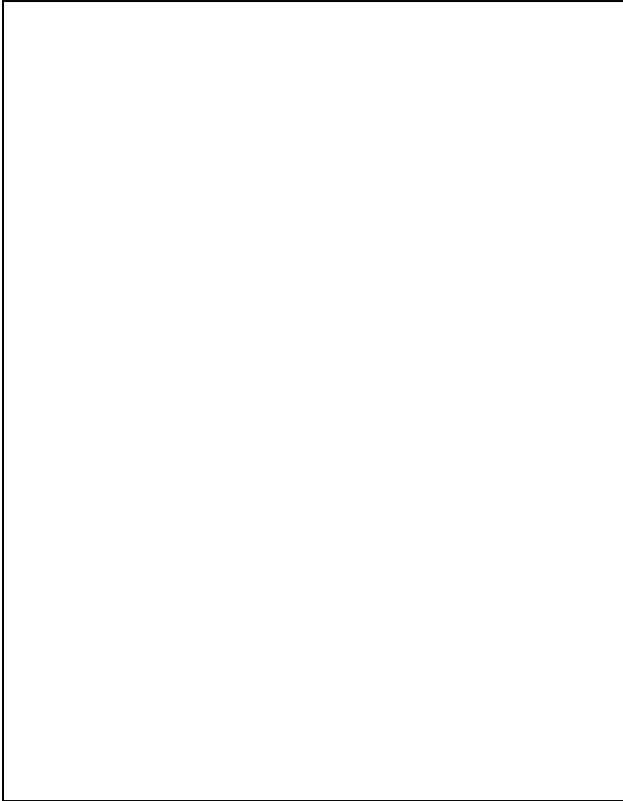
Dear History Detective,

Explore the *New York Interiors (1690-1906)* exhibition to see what homes in New York City looked like between 100 and 400 years ago. Travel upstairs with your class to the second floor and walk to the exhibition, which will be towards the right. The first room in the exhibition on the right hand side is the Dutch Interior. Look for clues in this room to help you answer the questions below. Draw or write your answers in the box next to each question. Have fun!

Today we have light bulbs in our homes, but before electric lighting was invented, what did early New Yorkers use to light their houses?

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin black border, intended for the student to write their answer to the question.

Turn over



Today, we heat our food in stoves and microwaves. What was used to cook food in early New York homes?

(Hint: It can also keep you warm in the winter, but don't get too close!)

What was used to let some things into the house while keeping others out?
Look for something that's split in the middle.

