



# What is it?

The Seaford Museum and Ross Mansion have many interesting objects from years gone by. Use this picture and the clues to see if you can figure out what this is.



These are in Governor Ross's office.

It has two glass jars with lids.

There are two big feathers.

You probably have something in your house that looks different, but does the same job.

What were these used for?

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Answer: These are feather pens (or quill pens) and inkwells.

Have you ever found a feather? \_\_\_\_\_



Where do you think the ink went to make the feather into a pen?

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Why do you think the jars are called inkwells?

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Governor Ross didn't have a computer, or even a telephone. How did he send messages to people who lived far away from his house?

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Have you ever sent a letter to someone? \_\_\_\_\_

On the next page, write a letter to a friend about feather pens.

Today is \_\_\_\_\_

Dear \_\_\_\_\_,

Today I saw a picture of a \_\_\_\_\_.

I learned that \_\_\_\_\_

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Your friend,

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