

ZOOMING OUT

Purpose

To understand world history, you often need to look at things from both close up and far away—something we call *scale switching*. Experiment with scale switching by analyzing images.

Process

Part 1: Image analysis

Each of the images below is a snippet from the same image. As you analyze the image, answer the questions. If you can, discuss your answers with a partner or friend.

Image 1:



1. Write two or three sentences describing what you think is happening in Image 1.

2. What do you think might be going on in the rest of the image, which you can't see?

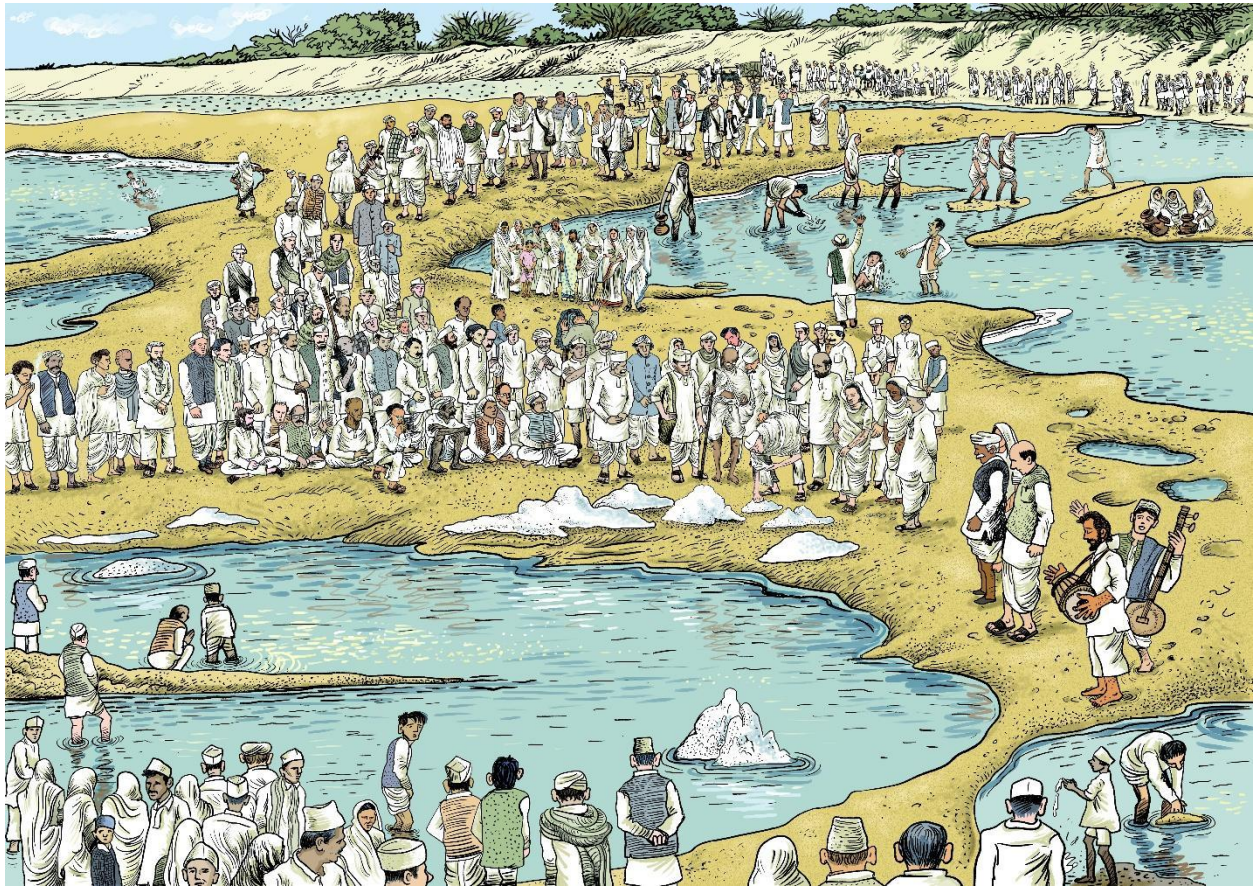
A vibrant, cartoon-style illustration depicting a large gathering of people, primarily men dressed in traditional white Indian clothing (kurta-pajama) and turbans. They are gathered around a body of water, possibly a pond or a small lake. In the foreground, a man in a white shirt and dark vest is pointing towards the water. A woman in a white sari is carrying a pot on her head. The scene suggests a public event or a religious gathering. The background shows a hilly landscape with more people and a horse-drawn carriage. The overall atmosphere is one of a significant public occasion.

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Image 3:



(If you're on a computer, [click here to see the image in high resolution](#))

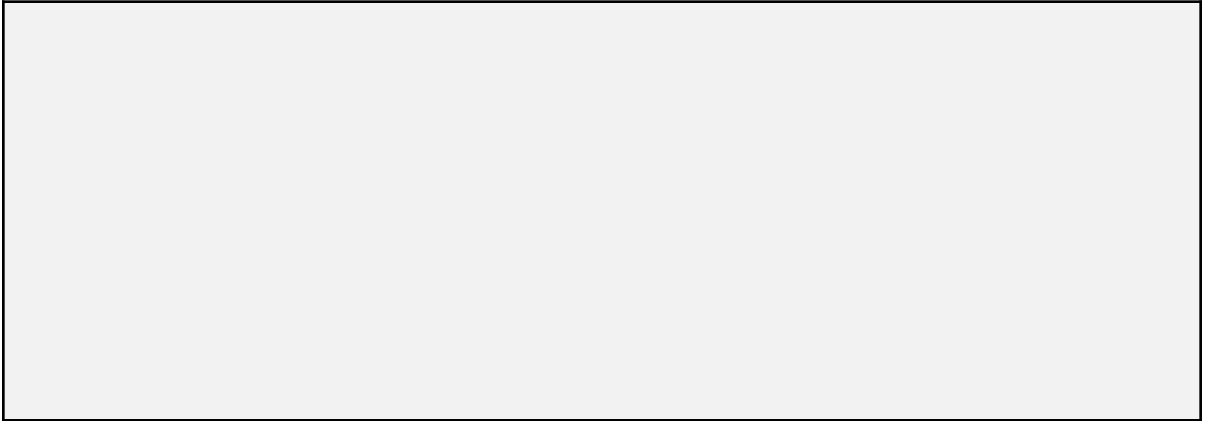
5. Image 3 shows the full image. Write a final two- or three-sentence explanation of what you think is happening.

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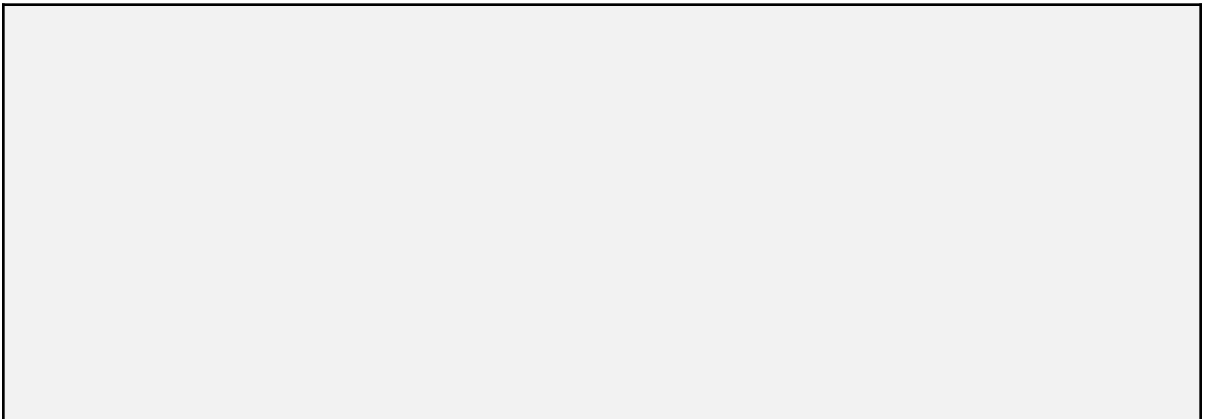
Part 2: Reflection questions

After you've viewed all three images, answer the reflection questions below.

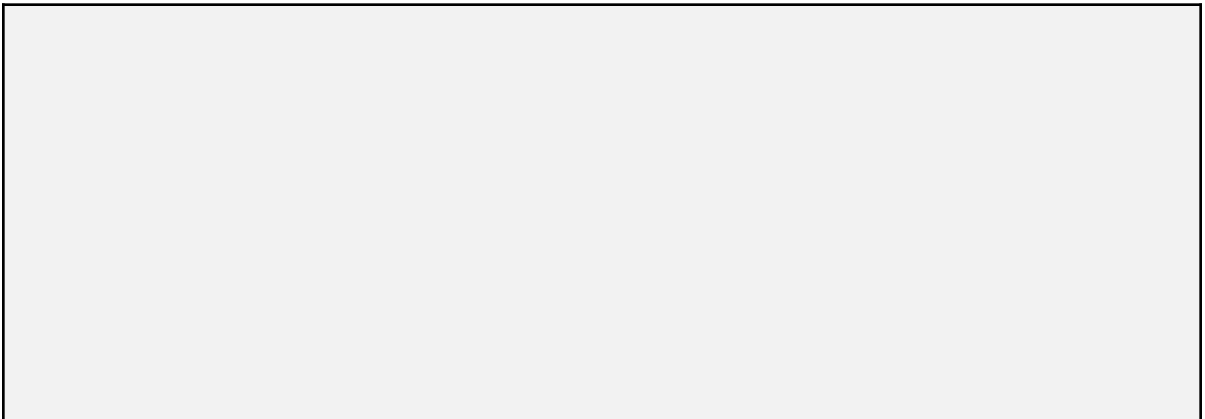
1. How did your image explanations change as you zoomed out?



2. In the final, [zoomed out image](#), are there any scenes of people like those in Image 1 that you would like to zoom in on to learn more about? Describe them here.



3. Which of the three images do you think shows the best story? Why?



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Extension: Here's a short description explaining the historical background of the full image, which you may or may not have learned about.

The Salt March was a peaceful protest led by Mahatma Gandhi in 1930. He was protesting British rule in India. The British Empire controlled salt production in India and their taxes made salt expensive for Indians. To protest, Gandhi and his followers walked 240 miles to the sea, where Gandhi made salt from seawater. This act inspired many Indians to join his movement. The Salt March was part of India's fight for independence from British rule.

Does your perspective on the image change now that you know the full story behind the picture?

