# **Contexts make Concepts Meaningful.**

# Take a Chicago History Museum Learning Journey

Preview:

Cross-cutting concepts are concepts that cross subjects.

Here are cross-cutting concepts of history you will find in any history exhibit.

## **Cross Cutting Concepts: Ideas to Think With**

- Change
- Causes and Effects
- Challenge
- Choice
- Context
- Continuity
- Identity
- Relationships
- Values

Source: Chicago History Museum and Center for Urban Education

They cross civics, culture, economics, geography, and, of course, history.

You can use them to analyze the past and the present —and foresee the future.

## Theme: Choices cause effects.

## Big QUESTION: How do Chicago choices affect the future?

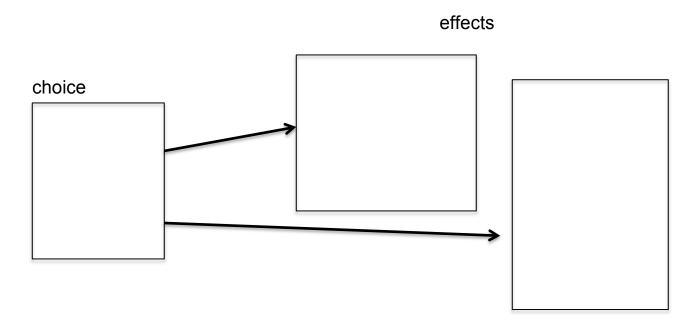
Visit Chicago at the Crossroads.

## First, enjoy the exhibit.

Then, look for an object that you think represents an important choice. For example, the el car represents the choice to build public transportation.

Object	Draw it or name it here.	Choice it represents	

## How did that choice affect the city?



#### The Future

What is a choice people should make today that will affect the future? Identify the choice, then predict its effects.