

The Craftsmen of Lakeport Plantation

(Arkansas History H.7.AH.7-8.1 and H.7.AH.7-8.3)

Instructions:

The Lakeport Plantation in Lake Village, Arkansas, was built by enslaved laborers. Though these laborers were deprived of their freedom and their basic rights, they showed amazing skill as craftsmen. For example, it took great skill to paint the wood grain pattern on the doors to make them appear grander than they were. You can see the beautiful doors in these pictures.



Now you get to try this skill. Look at the wood grain pattern on the left below. Try copying it in the empty box on the right.

