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Cup Analysis

Here is a cup. When you pick up a cup, you typically just think it is something to drink out of. Subconsciously though, you start to like a cup for lots of different reasons without actually thinking about why you like it. In the questions below, I want you to respond to aspects of the cup you brought in to figure out why you like your particular cup. If you just chose some random cup, maybe you will be able to decide if you like it or don't like. **RESPOND IN SENTENCES BELOW NOT YES OR NO, THE QUESTIONS ARE JUST A GUIDE.**



1. Describe the overall form. Is it uniform in shape or does it vary, is it symmetrical or asymmetrical? _____

2. Does it have a handle? What is that handle for? How does it feel when you pick it up? Is it comfortable? Is it too big? Is it too small?

3. What is the foot like? Is it flat under your cup, or does it sit in just slightly? Do you think it would scratch the table easily, or not really?

4. Describe the rim. Is it thick, thin, curved out, curved in? How does this effect its function when you drink out of it? Does is feel natural, or just aesthetic?

5. Pick up your cup, how does the weight feel? Does is feel top heavy, bottom heavy, evenly disputed? What is it made of? How does that effect its feel or texture?

6. How is it decorated? Is there something on the body? Is there something attached to add additional decoration? Is it detailed or simple? Was the attention on decoration or utility (function)?

Send this to me in Showbie under "Cup Analysis" as soon as you are done with a picture of your cup. Next I want you to share with a partner, see how yours is different or similar to theirs. These may have seemed like little trivial things, but they are important to your final product and while you are throwing on the wheel.