Paper Prototype
Subject #8

Task 1

Process:
1) Chose Artifact Type > Ceramics/Pottery
2) Clicked one fish jar
3) Selected Grave 13
4) Tried “text only”—what is it?

Comments:
- Asked if the # of artifacts will appear on the map
- Some confusion over what “text only” meant—did it mean navigating to documents about the artifacts? (No—it is meant to allow a table view of search results, as opposed to thumbnails)

Due to time constraints, this user was only able to complete one task. However, she went on to discuss terminology at some length:

Material Type
Stone (raw) vs. lithic (worked by humans)
Animals & plants should go under material type
Metal (add mixed metal?)
Fabric—may be animal, plant, mixed
Wood (separate from plant)
Human bone, hair
Shell

Tools may be made of:
lithic, metal, wood, bone, shell, animal teeth

Figurines may be made of:
wood, stone, ceramic

Artifact Type → Artifact Class
Will have to mix some metaphors under this (ex. peanut—don’t know its purpose, but know material)
May have to have undefined artifact type (“Unknown,” “Fragment”)
Textiles
Vessels (not ceramics/pottery)
Tools <- unpack this more
Figurines
Jewelry/beads
Food
HSS/Human remains
Physical Attributes
Surface treatment (in making)
- slipped
- painted
- burnished (partial/whole)
- incised
- smoothed (by hand)
- glazed
(in use)
- worn
- burnt/sooting
Condition
- whole
- broken
- fragmented
Decoration
- plainware

“ecofacts”—not worked by humans, but transported by them

Stay away from using specific terminology from literature (ex. “Chincha design”) unless you cite where it came from

Post Paper Prototype Questionnaire

- Likes the option of switching to text-only
- Likes having options laid out in checkboxes
- Likes set-up in general (has no problem with general layout)