

LESSON 8

Mexican Texas to Independence

- *Texas, 1821–1833*
- *Prelude to Revolution*
- *Winning Independence*

SOCIAL STUDIES TEKS

4 - 3, 14, 21, 22, 23

7 - 1, 2, 3, 21, 22, 23

8 - 6, 29, 30

STAAR

4, 7 - Writing - 1, 2, 3

4, 7, 8 - Reading - 1, 2, 3

8 - Social Studies - 1

INSTRUCTIONAL SUGGESTIONS

1. Using the “Texas, 1821–1833” section, students will develop a diary of a colonist; topics should include why he/she came, tasks to be completed, weaknesses of the Mexican colonial policy, and disagreements with the Mexican government.
2. Students will complete the **History Mystery Picture Puzzle**, using the “Prelude to Revolution” and “Winning Independence” sections. They should read each statement and determine if it is true or false. If it is true, connect the numbers indicated by the “T.” If it is false, connect the numbers indicated by the “F.” If the answers are correct, students will easily recognize the mystery picture that emerges.
3. Using the “Winning Independence” section, students will locate each dated historical event and place it on the **Texas Revolution Calendar**.
4. Students will illustrate the journey of Texas toward independence by creating a Texas Independence Highway, using the “Winning Independence” section. Working in small groups, students will construct the highway on large sheets of paper. Major causes, leaders, and events of the revolution should be included in the road’s development, along with crossroads, detours, forks, frontage/access/service roads, billboards, etc.

*The Alamo in San Antonio.
The 13-day Battle of the
Alamo ended the morning of
March 6, 1836.*

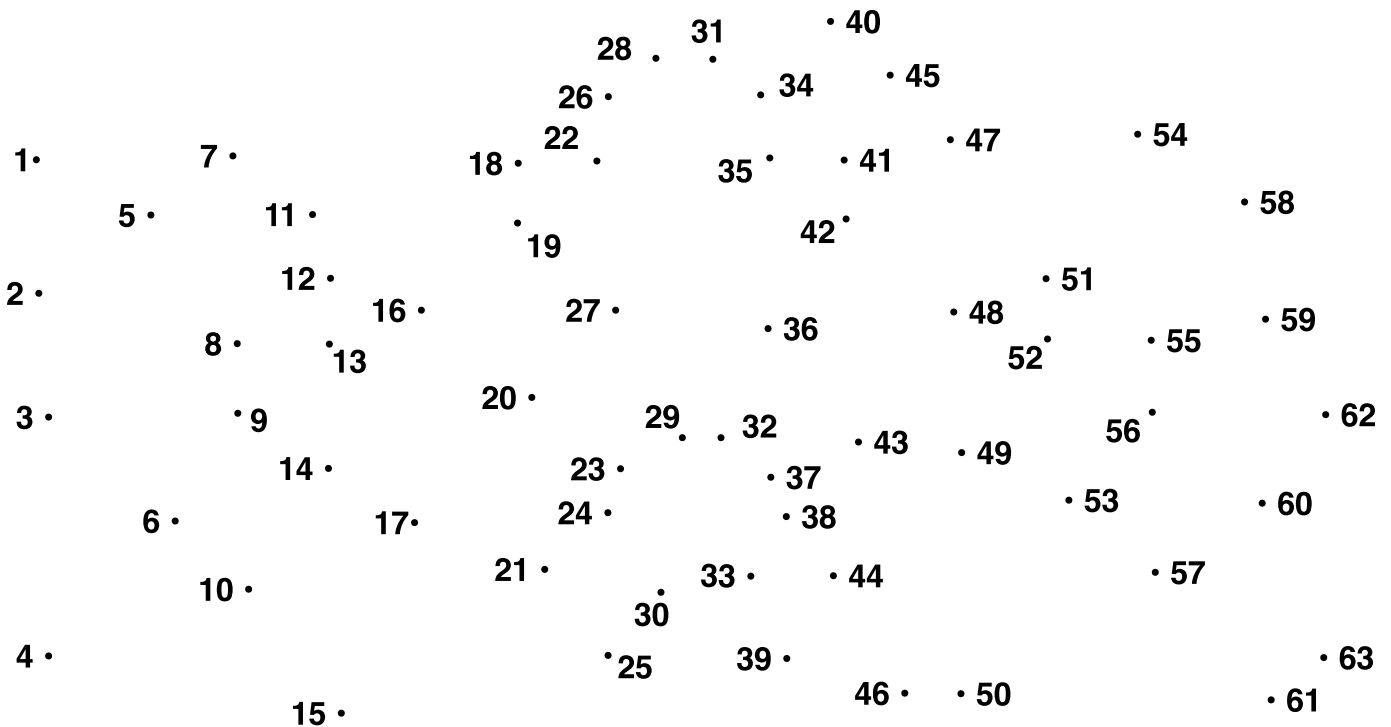


History Mystery Picture Puzzle

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| <p>1. By 1835, Texas exports amounted to \$500,000.
T - 22 to 26
F - 27 to 36</p> | <p>9. Citizens of Gonzales refused to release Mexican soldiers they had captured.
T - 19 to 20
F - 51 to 52</p> | <p>17. The demand by Santa Anna that the Texans surrender was answered with a cannon shot.
T - 29 to 32
F - 36 to 48</p> |
| <p>2. The value of Texas imports was less than the value of its exports.
T - 53 to 57
F - 62 to 63</p> | <p>10. At the beginning of 1836, the Mexican army controlled all of Texas.
T - 1 to 7
F - 41 to 42</p> | <p>18. Because of James Bowie's illness, William Travis took complete command of the Texans at the Alamo.
T - 26 to 28
F - 36 to 48</p> |
| <p>3. By 1834, Texans had been granted the right to trial by jury.
T - 38 to 39
F - 46 to 50</p> | <p>11. Texans defeated Mexican soldiers at Goliad and Nacogdoches in the fall of 1835.
T - 31 to 34
F - 5 to 7</p> | <p>19. Eight Texas defenders were killed at the Alamo in the first three days of fighting.
T - 32 to 43
F - 34 to 35</p> |
| <p>4. In 1834, Santa Anna took complete control of the Mexican government.
T - 4 to 25
F - 42 to 43</p> | <p>12. Sam Houston ordered James Bowie to go to the Alamo.
T - 3 to 4
F - 30 to 33</p> | <p>20. Reinforcements from Gonzales entered the Alamo on March 1.
T - 24 to 25
F - 35 to 36</p> |
| <p>5. The Texas "war party" wanted to fight on the side of Santa Anna.
T - 44 to 49
F - 12 to 13</p> | <p>13. David Crockett brought 32 volunteers to the Alamo.
T - 39 to 58
F - 28 to 31</p> | <p>21. Texas declared independence on March 2, 1836.
T - 23 to 29
F - 1 to 2</p> |
| <p>6. The majority of Texans supported William Travis' actions at Anahuac.
T - 14 to 17
F - 55 to 56</p> | <p>14. The Consultation chose Henry Smith as president of Texas.
T - 16 to 17
F - 12 to 19</p> | <p>22. The United States flag flew over the Alamo.
T - 49 to 53
F - 32 to 37</p> |
| <p>7. The "consultation" met at Washington-on-the-Brazos in October 1835.
T - 37 to 38
F - 9 to 10</p> | <p>15. Henry Smith ordered William B. Travis to protect the government in Gonzales.
T - 11 to 12
F - 56 to 62</p> | <p>23. Texans defeated Santa Anna's army at the Alamo.
T - 59 to 62
F - 35 to 41</p> |
| <p>8. Santa Anna repealed the Constitution of 1824.
T - 39 to 63
F - 47 to 48</p> | <p>16. There were approximately 150 men at the Alamo by February 23.
T - 8 to 9
F - 6 to 10</p> | <p>24. James Fannin's soldiers defeated General Urrea at Goliad.
T - 31 to 40
F - 3 to 9</p> |

History Mystery Picture Puzzle (continued)

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| <p>25. David Burnet and Lorenzo de Zavala were named interim president and vice president of Texas.
T - 18 to 22
F - 44 to 57</p> | <p>27. Juan Seguín refused to fight against Santa Anna.
T - 2 to 12
F - 8 to 13</p> | <p>29. Santa Anna escaped the battle, returned to Mexico, and later fled to Spain.
T - 25 to 39
F - 18 to 19</p> |
| <p>26. Erastus Smith and Hendrick Arnold were unable to gather information that would help the Texans.
T - 10 to 21
F - 23 to 24</p> | <p>28. The Battle of San Jacinto lasted less than twenty minutes.
T - 42 to 51
F - 53 to 60</p> | <p>30. Sam Houston was wounded during the Battle of San Jacinto.
T - 52 to 55
F - 50 to 61</p> |



Texas Revolution Calendar

FEBRUARY 1836

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29					



Texas Revolution Calendar

MARCH 1836

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		



Texas Revolution Calendar

APRIL 1836

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30