1. Where is TEJAS?

2. TEJAS was a Spanish controlled land that bordered the United States territory.

3. Which country controlled Tejas in the early 1800’s?

4. Spain controlled the area known as Tejas.

5. Who were the TEJANS?
TEJANOS were people of Spanish heritage who lived in the area. In 1821 the population was 4,000.

What did the Spanish government do to encourage settlement in Tejas?

Spain tried to encourage people to move to Texas by giving them huge tracts of land.

What did Spain give MOSES AUSTIN permission to do in Tejas?

Spain gave Moses Austin permission to start a colony in Texas. Settlers had to agree to follow Spanish laws.

What changes in Mexico in 1821?
Mexico gains its independence from Spain in 1821.

What does STEPHEN AUSTIN do between 1821 and 1827?

Stephen Austin encouraged 297 families to Texas between 1821 and 1827. Known as the “old three hundred.”

By 1830, which country has the largest percentage of settlers in Texas?

By 1830 the Americans outnumbered the Tejanos 6 to 1.

Total population was around 30,000 people now.

Who was ANTINIO LOPEZ de SANTA ANNA?
9. SANTA ANNA was the President of Mexico at the time.

10. Why was Austin placed in jail?

Santa Anna found a letter that Austin wrote saying he may encourage a rebellion. Austin was jailed for a year.

11. When war breaks out, who is placed in charge of the Texas army?

When war breaks out in Texas in 1836 - SAM HOUSTON is placed in charge of the Texas army.

12. Describe the BATTLE OF THE ALAMO?
Mexican soldiers trapped the Texans in an old mission called the Alamo.

After 12 days of fighting, the Mexican soldiers had 1,800 men charge the Alamo. The Texans then ran out of ammunition.
When the Mexican soldiers took the Alamo, all but 5 Texans had fought to the death. A total of 183 Texas were killed in the battle.

Why does the size of the Texas army increase after the Alamo and the battle at Goliad?

The battles of the Alamo and Goliad made the Texans upset and many signed up to fight Mexico.

Which battle gives Texas their independence?

The Texans won the BATTLE OF SAN JACINTO and Santa Anna signed a treaty giving Texas their freedom.
What is the LONE STAR REPUBLIC?

The LONE STAR REPUBLIC officially became an independent nation in 1836.

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Who is named president of this new nation?

The President of the Lone Star Republic was SAM HOUSTON. He was easily elected in a vote.

Why did some Americans not want to make Texas a new state in the United States?
Some Northerners were worried that if Texas became a state it would shift the power of balance to slave states.

How long did Texas stay independent?

Texas was independent for 9 years before becoming part of the United States in 1845.