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The Alamo - Answer Key

Read each question and circle the correct answer.

1. In 1821, Mexico won its independence from which European nation?

- A. Italy
- ☒ B. Spain
- C. France
- D. England

2. Texas, known as Tejas, was a Mexican state populated by

- A. only Tejanos.
- ☒ C. both Texians and Tejanos.
- B. only Texians.
- D. none of the above

3. Tejanos were Texans of _____ descent.

- A. English
- ☒ C. Mexican
- B. Spanish
- D. American

4. In 1830, the Mexican government passed a law that

- A. ended Santa Anna's presidency.
- ☒ D. banned American immigration to Mexico.
- C. allowed Texas to become independent.

5. Which of these events happened before the Battle of the Alamo?

- A. 200 Texans died in San Antonio.
- ☒ D. Santa Anna did away with the Mexican constitution.
- B. Colonel Travis sent a letter asking for help.
- C. David Crockett died defending the Texan cause.

6. It was important to defend the Alamo because it was

- ☒ A. a strategic fortress.
- B. the last-standing garrison.
- C. part of ancient Mexican history.
- D. an active Roman Catholic mission.

7. About 200 defenders volunteered to protect the Alamo because they

- ☒ A. believed in the Texan cause for independence.
- B. were promised land and gold if they won the battle.
- C. wanted to help Santa Anna take the fort from the inside.
- D. were the best fighters in Texas and knew they would win the battle.

8. Which of the following men participated in the Battle of the Alamo?

- A. James Bowie
- B. David Crockett
- C. William B. Travis
- ☒ D. all of the above

9. What battle cry arose from the Texans' heroic stand at the Alamo?

- A. "Victory or death!"
- B. "Defend the Alamo!"
- ☒ C. "Remember the Alamo!"
- D. "Never forget San Antonio!"

10. After the Texans lost the Battle of the Alamo, they went on to

- A. lay siege to Mexico City.
- ☒ B. fight to establish an independent state.
- C. immediately surrender to the Mexican forces.
- D. lose more battles until they surrendered to Santa Anna.