Remember the Alamo:
Seventh Grade Worksheet

1) Based on your interpretation of the maps in slides one and three, how defensible do you think the Alamo was?

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2) Why did having a well inside the Alamo matter to the Texan defenders?

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3) Based on the account in slide five, were the Texans successful in their skirmish with Santa Anna’s troops?

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4) Why were victories in such small skirmishes important to the Texans?

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5) While under bombardment from Mexican cannon, the Texans were engaged at what task? Why was this important?

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6) On March 1st, 1836, how many reinforcements arrived at the Alamo from Gonzales?

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7) Why did the Texans only seldom fire on the Mexicans during the siege?

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8) What were Santa Anna’s terms for surrender?

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9) How did Travis answer Santa Anna’s demand for surrender?

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10) What did Travis ask for in his letter to the “people of Texas & all Americans”?

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11) If “this call is neglected,” what did Travis determine to do?

12) If you were in the Alamo, would you have stayed or fled? Explain.

13) What did Albert Martin say the Texans defending the Alamo had determined to do?

14) Why did Albert Martin say an attack must have happened since Travis wrote his letter?
15) What action did Travis take after declaring his determination to sell his life “as dearly as possible”?

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16) Would you have crossed Travis's line in the sand?

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17) Based on the map of the Alamo on slide fourteen, do the Alamo’s defenses look formidable?

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18) At the Mexican Council of War on March 4th, what were the opinions expressed on the question of assaulting the Alamo?

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19) Why do you think Santa Anna chose to launch a direct infantry assault against the Alamo?

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20) Were there any Texan survivors at the Alamo? If so, who?

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21) On what day was Santa Anna’s assault on the Alamo?

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22) How many times did the Mexican troops assault the Alamo’s walls?

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23) What kind of leadership did Santa Anna provide during the assault on the Alamo?

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24) What happened when the walls of the Alamo were taken?

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25) How would you describe the account in slide 22?

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26) Why did General Castrillon want to spare Crockett and the five other Texans?

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27) What was Santa Anna’s reaction upon hearing that there were prisoners?

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28) What was Santa Anna’s justification for assaulting the Alamo?

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29) According to Santa Anna, why did his troops not accept surrender from the Alamo defenders?
30) According to Anson Jones, what did the defense of the Alamo symbolize?

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31) What was the legacy of the Alamo according to Anson Jones?

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32) What do you think is the legacy of the Alamo?

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