

## The Córdova Rebellion Extension Advanced

Unit 6: The Republic of Texas

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<b>Growing Tension in East Texas</b>				
During the Texas Revolutionary era, there were many different points of view about Texas independence. Within the Tejano population of Texas, some Tejanos supported Texas independence during the revolution, while others had opposed independence. Some Tejanos who had opposed independence wanted Texas to remain part of Mexico and feared that the rights they had enjoyed under Mexico might not be respected in the new Republic of Texas.				
After Texas won its independence in 1836, American immigration into east Texas increased significantly. At times, this brought conflict between the new Anglo arrivals who were seeking to settle in the newly independent republic and members of the local Tejano copulation who sometimes felt they were being pushed out by newcomers.				
n addition to the Anglo and Tejano residents, Texas Indians were a third important group iving in east Texas after the war. One tribe in particular, the Cherokee, had been working for a long time to gain titles, or official ownership, of their land. During the Texas Revolution, leaders like Sam Houston had promised the Cherokee tribe titles to their land, but after the war the Republic of Texas government refused to honor the agreement.				
Growing tension in east Texas between the new Anglo settlers, some Tejano residents who had opposed independence, and several Indian tribes working toward ownership of their and led to a conflict known as the Córdova Rebellion in August, 1838, led by a Tejano named Vicente Córdova.				
According to the reading passage, what was the primary cause? Write a two- to three- sentence				





## The Córdova Rebellion Primary Source #1

The following primary source excerpt was taken from an article in the *Telegraph and Texas Register* of Houston printed on August 25, 1838. The article published an account of events leading to the Córdova Rebellion.

- 1. According to the account published in the newspaper, what happened when the Texan militia arrived near Nacogdoches?
- 2. What did General Rusk request of Cherokee Chief Bowles? What was the Cherokee response?
- 3. How did the author of this account characterize the rebelling Texas Indians and Tejanos?
- 4. From whose point of view was this article written? How might this article be different if it were written from a different point of view?



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> **Biloxies** refers to a tribe of American Indians that migrated into Texas in the early 1800s.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> **Effusion**: (n) spilling of a liquid. The effusion of blood refers to causing bloodshed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Precipitate: (adj) Describing something that is hasty or rash, an action made without careful thought.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> **Deluded**: (adj) Believing something that is not true.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> **Discomfiture:** (n) a feeling of unease or embarrassment.



## The Córdova Rebellion Primary Source #2

The following primary source excerpt was taken from an article in the Houston *Telegraph* and *Texas Register* published on September 29, 1838, nearly a month after the article on the previous page. This article gave an account of the events of the rebellion, including the following brief description of the motivations and goals of the rebels.

5. According to the excerpt, how did many of the rebels feel about the Republic of Texas government? Use evidence from the primary source excerpt to support your claim.

6. What was one goal the rebels had, according to the excerpt?





## The Córdova Rebellion Primary Source #3

The following primary source excerpt was taken from an article in the Houston *Telegraph* and *Texas Register* published on November 3, 1838. The article published a letter from Major General Thomas J. Rusk, who led the Texan militia during the Córdova Rebellion. His letter gave an account of the conflict and its outcome. The rebellion would end shortly after the events described here.

There are several misspellings and grammar errors in the original text. The excerpt is included here with the original errors.

7. Based on the excerpt, describe three to five significant events or actions that occurred in chronological order during the conflict.

