

# The Somervell Expedition & the Mier Fight Extension *Advanced*

## Unit 6: The Republic of Texas

Name:  Date:  Period:

**Directions:** The chart below presents three options for how to complete this assignment. Read each option and choose **one** of the activities listed. Use the information in the chart to meet all the requirements for your chosen activity.

|                                    | <b>Option 1</b><br>Journal Entries  | <b>Option 2</b><br>Storyboard   | <b>Option 3</b><br>Newspaper Article   |
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| Description of Assignment          | Write a series of journal entries about the events of the Somervell Expedition and the Mier Fight.  | Draw a series of images depicting the events of the Somervell Expedition and the Mier Fight.  | Write a newspaper article about the events of the Somervell Expedition and Mier Fight.   |
| Point of View                      | Journal entries should be presented from the point of view of <b>either</b> an Anglo in the Texan volunteer forces <b>or</b> a soldier in the Mexican army. | A third-person point of view is often most useful when creating a storyboard. This allows you to tell the story from many points of view and give the full picture. | You are a Texan <b>or</b> Mexican journalist at the time of these events. You interview one or more of the Anglos while they are imprisoned at Perote and write an article about their experience. |
| Requirements                       | A minimum of 10 hand-written journal entries including dates and detailed descriptions of the events. Each entry should be at least 8 sentences in length.  | A minimum of 10 hand-drawn images presented in color. You can include titles, descriptions, word bubbles, and any other writing necessary to help tell the story.   | A minimum of 5 paragraphs of 6 – 10 sentences each. Provide a title for your article and at least 6 “quotes” from your interviews with the imprisoned men.   |
| Why should you choose this option? | You enjoy creative writing and using your imagination to consider different points of view and experiences from your own.                                   | You enjoy drawing, doodling, and creating visuals to tell a story. You enjoy doing art (even if it’s not perfect) and prefer less writing.                          | You are interested in journalism, reporting, telling others’ stories, and recording living history. You enjoy writing and telling stories.   |