

Vocabulary Quiz *Advanced*

Unit 3: The Spanish Colonial Era

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Part I: Matching

Directions: Match the vocabulary term with its correct definition

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| <input type="text"/> 1. Mission | A. A social structure dividing people by categories based on birth status. |
| <input type="text"/> 2. Assimilate | B. Establish |
| <input type="text"/> 3. Presidio | C. A large, safe distance separating some valuable land from potential threats. |
| <input type="text"/> 4. Founded | D. A Spanish military fort established to protect missions and strengthen Spain's claim to Texas. |
| <input type="text"/> 5. Buffer Zone | E. To completely give up your own culture and adopt a different culture and way of life. |
| <input type="text"/> 6. Raid | F. To attack a location with the goal of stealing resources |
| <input type="text"/> 7. Caste System | G. A religious settlement run by Catholic leaders with the purpose of teaching Texas Indians the Spanish religion and way of life. |

Part II: Fill in the Blank

Directions: Use the vocabulary terms from the matching above to fill in the blanks in the sentences below. Use the word bank for assistance.

Missions	Presidio	Assimilate	Founded
Buffer Zone	Raids	Caste System	

- One of the growing problems in New Spain during the Spanish Colonial era was the discriminatory _____ which limited rights, power, and opportunities for American Indians, enslaved people, and people of mixed race or ethnicity.
- The Spanish wanted the Texas Indians to give up everything about their own way of life and become like the Spanish. The Texas Indians had no desire to _____, however.
- In order to attempt to assimilate Texas Indians and convert them to Catholicism, Spain established _____ run by religious leaders called friars.
- Though Texas produced no gold or silver, Spain considered the area valuable because it served as a _____ between silver mines in Mexico and the French who were settling along the Mississippi River.
- The primary goal of each _____ was to provide soldiers who could protect both the missions and Texas land from French encroachment.
- Some tribes like the Comanche of the Great Plains mounted _____ on Spanish missions and presidios in an effort to acquire valuable resources like horses.
- San Antonio was _____ in 1718 as a halfway point between the missions in east Texas and the rest of New Spain.

Part III: Short Constructed Response

Directions: Answer the following questions in two to three complete sentences.

1. What are the defining characteristics of the Spanish Colonial era?
2. What were Spain's primary goals for the Mission Presidio System?
3. Explain one challenge Spain faced during this period of time.
4. Based on what you have learned so far, do you think the Mission Presidio System will be successful in Texas? Why or why not?