**Preview of the Spanish Colonial Period *Video***

*Unit 3: Spanish Colonial*

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**Video Introduction**

This video provides a brief introduction of the major themes and events of the Spanish Colonial era unit. Use this viewing guide worksheet to assess your understanding of the topics in the video.

**Video Vocabulary**

***Directions*:** Before you begin the video, read the terms below to familiarize yourself with the new vocabulary introduced in this video.

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| **Term** | **Definition** |
| **Colonial** *(adj)* | Related to colonies or colonization. This term is used to describe a country claiming political control of some land. |
| **Convert** *(v)* | To change. In the context of this unit, the term refers to changing someone’s religion. |
| **Missions** *(n)* | Religious settlements typically established to spread one religion and convert people to that religion. |
| **Forts** *(n)* | A military settlement that houses soldiers and provides for the protection of the surrounding community. |
| **Subjects***(n)* | People who live under the rule of a king or queen. |
| **Raid***(v)* | To attack with the intent of stealing items or supplies. |

**While You Watch: True or False**

***Directions*:** Read the statements below before you watch the video. Listen for the information in each statement as you watch. Circle whether each statement is true or false.

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| **Circle the answer** | **Statement** |
| **True / False** | 1. Spain never managed to truly control Texas during the Spanish Colonial era. |
| **True / False** | 1. Texas Indians were the dominant force in Texas throughout the Spanish Colonial era. |
| **True / False** | 1. Spanish missions were largely unsuccessful in Texas. |
| **True / False** | 1. Most Texas Indians were eager to learn the Spanish religion and way of life. |

1. Which statements below are TRUE for the Spanish Colonial era according to the video? Check all that apply.
   * Spain hoped to colonize and control territory in the Americas, including the land we now know as Texas.
   * Spain established dozens of settlements which were incredibly economically successful throughout Texas during the Spanish Colonial era.
   * Despite Spain’s military power, it was actually American Indian tribes like the Comanche and Caddo that were most powerful in Texas during this era.
   * The Spanish attempted to control Texas by establishing missions where the Spanish tried to teach Texas Indians how to become more like the Spanish.
   * Most Texas Indians were eager to learn about the Spanish way of life and become more like the Spanish.
   * Spain lost control of its Mexican colonies when the people of Mexico won their independence from Spain in 1821.
2. According to the video, what was the basic idea behind the missions that Spain established in Texas? Why did Spain establish the missions?

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1. Based on the video, which statement provides the best description of the defining characteristics of the Spanish Colonial era?
2. The Spanish Colonial era of Texas history is characterized by the Texas Indians’ attempts to colonize Spanish settlements like Nacogdoches and San Antonio.
3. The Spanish Colonial era of Texas history is characterized by Spain’s continued quest for natural resources like silver and gold in Texas and the southwest.
4. The Spanish Colonial era of Texas history is characterized by Spain’s struggle to establish and maintain a significant presence in Texas.
5. The Spanish Colonial era of Texas history is characterized by Mexico’s fight for independence.