

Who was Joe? Video

Unit 5: The Texas Revolution

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Video Vocabulary

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

Term	Definition
Candor (n)	Honesty
Distinctly (adv)	Clearly
Contract Worker (n)	A worker who signs an agreement about the terms of their work
To barricade (v)	To block yourself from others inside a safe place
Estate (n)	The money and property that belonged to someone, specifically after their death.
Negro (n)	A term that was used in the 1800s and early 1900s to refer to African Americans.

Before you watch...

Before you watch the video, complete the following **True** or **False** activity below. Answer to the best of your ability based on your previous knowledge or your best educated guess. After your watch the video, return to this chart to answer the "After your watch" column. Compare your answers. Were your first answers correct? What was different?

Before you watch	After you watch	Statement
T / F	T / F	1. When Joe was brought to Texas, it was still legal to bring enslaved people into Coahuila y Tejas.
T / F	T / F	2. James Bowie bought Joe and brought him to the San Antonio before the battle of the Alamo.
T / F	T / F	 The Texas Revolution brought independence for all people living in Texas.
T / F	T / F	4. Joe escaped slavery after the Texas Revolution.





1) Which statement below is true about the circumstances surrounding Joe's arrival in Texas?

- a. At the time, it was legal to bring new enslaved people into the state according to state laws passed by the legislature of Coahuila y Tejas.
- b. Joe was born into slavery in Texas and sold to William B. Travis during the Texas Revolution.
- c. It was illegal to bring enslaved people into the state, but his owner forced him to sign a contract so he could call him a contract worker rather than a slave.
- d. Joe chose to migrate to Texas, where he was captured and forced into slavery.
- 2) Joe was purchased and brought to the Alamo by which Alamo defender?
 - a. James Bowie
 - b. Almaron Dickinson
 - c. Juan Seguín
 - d. William B. Travis
- _____3) What role did Joe primarily play during the Battle of the Alamo?
 - a. He barricaded himself in a safe place after Travis was killed.
 - b. He manned a position along the north wall to prevent centralist troops from entering the Alamo.
 - c. He successfully escaped during the battle and traveled east for safety.
 - d. All answers are correct.
- 4) Which statement is true about Joe's role and experience at the Alamo?
 - a. Joe was the only known male to survive the Battle of the Alamo.
 - b. Joe's account of the Alamo provided valuable information for the Texas army and for the historical record.
 - c. The Mexican army had Joe identify the bodies of James Bowie and William B. Travis following the battle.
 - d. All answers are correct.
 - 5) Which statement is true about Joe's life after the Texas Revolution ended?
 - a. Enslaved people like Joe were granted their freedom by the Republic of Texas government following the war.
 - b. Joe was returned to slavery but successfully escaped on the one-year anniversary of the Battle of San Jacinto.
 - c. Joe escaped to Mexico where he joined the Mexican army.
 - d. All answers are correct.

