Lone Stars and Gun Smoke Worksheet
Seventh Grade

1. What “old problem” plagued Laredo on both sides of the river?

2. What would Washington have thought of Captain Roberts’s agreement with the Mexican Major?

3. How did the Rangers interpret the “Zona Libre?”

4. Describe how the Rangers look in the image “Preparing for a Scout.”
5. What did Captain Roberts think of the Mexican major?

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6. Who was robbed by Mexican bandits and what was stolen from him?

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7. Acting on their alliance, both the Mexican major and Captain Roberts sent out scouts. Where were the robbers hiding and who found them?

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8. Did the Rangers catch the robbers before they made it to Mexico? What did the Rangers do?

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9. What did the Mexican soldiers and Rangers do after eliminating the robbers?

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10. What held the body under the water?

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11. What was carved into the handle of the knife?

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12. Working under the maxim “the murder will out,” what did Sergeant Seiker do?

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13. Why did the ranch hand say he killed the man?

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14. What evidence did Captain Roberts find proving the Mexican ranch hand’s story?

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15. What did the Rangers do to the ranch hand after they discovered the truth?

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16. If you were in command of Ranger Company ‘D’, how would you have resolved the problem of banditry along the Texas-Mexico border near the cities of Laredo and New Laredo?

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