Ranching in Texas
4th Grade Worksheet

1) How would you describe the life of a cowboy?

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2) Based on the photos and oral history selections, how difficult do you think it was to brand cattle?

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3) What are some of the distinguishing features of Brahman cattle?

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4) What are some of the distinguishing features of Santa Getrudis?

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5) What are some of the distinguishing features of the Texas Longhorn?

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6) What were early permanent ranch quarters like?

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7) What type houses did the King Ranch upgrade to?

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8) According to McKamey, what kind of relationship did the seasonal workers or ranch hands have with the ranch?

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9) When did cattle raiding of the King and Kennedy Ranch end?

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10) What other means did the King Ranch use to protect their ranch and cattle?

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11) What was Sidney M. Freeborn hired to do?

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12) According to Turcotte, what was the reason the King Ranch separated from the Kennedy Ranch?

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13) How large was the Kennedy Ranch?

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14) What was one of the turning points of ranching?

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15) What parasites posed a significant problem for Texas ranches?

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16) How often did cattle need to be dipped?

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17) How did Mexican vaqueros show their allegiance while working on King Ranch?

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18) According McKamey, what was the weather like in Kingsville?

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19) What kind of relationship did the many 19th century ranch employees have with their ranch owners?

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20) How did ranch hands sleep on the range?

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21) What purposes did the chuck wagon serve?

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22) What was the horcata?

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