Texas Revolution Jigsaw Project

Students will work in groups of 3-4 to create a newspaper article, diagram, model, or timeline that will help others learn about the Texas Revolution.

Each group will have the following roles:

Leader: The leader is in charge of the group. Only the leader may ask me questions (limit 3 questions per day). The leader also helps the group in any way he or she can. The leader has the last say in resolving disputes.

Researcher: The researchers are responsible for gathering and fact-checking information.

Art Director: They will oversee the creation of the artwork. They don’t have to do all of the artwork, but they are in charge of making sure it gets done.

Your group will create one of the following:

Newspaper Poster:
- One group will write about the siege of the Alamo, from Santa Anna’s arrival in San Antonio on February 23, until the day before the battle. Your article will be based on the letters written from the Alamo by William B. Travis. You must mention his famous “‘Victory or Death” letter. To find Travis’ letters, search google for “William B. Travis Alamo letters.” Your article will be dated March 5, 1836.
- The second group will write about the actual battle. The article will be dated March 7, 1836. You will recount the events of the battle, including the outcome and the effect the Texans’ defeat had on the Texas Revolution.
- You must also create a full color picture to go with your article. The picture can be anything related to your article. Both the article and the picture will be attached to the same sheet of paper.

Texas Revolution Map:
- Create a large, full-color map of important places and events of the Texas Revolution.
- You will hand-draw the map Texas. You must show the entire state of Texas.
- You must include the following battles: Gonzales, Goliad, Siege of Bexar, The Alamo, Refugio, San Patricio, Coleto Creek, and San Jacinto.
- Include the following locations: Washington-on-the-Brazos, San Felipe de Austin, Harrisburg
- Draw the Old San Antonio and Atascocito Roads
- Draw the route followed by Sam Houston in blue. Draw the route followed by Santa Anna in red.

Timeline:
- You are required to have at least three pictures
- Must be full-color
- Must include the following battles: Gonzales, Goliad (the battle), Siege of Bexar, The Grass Fight, The Alamo, Coleto Creek, and San Jacinto
- Must also include the Consultation of 1835, the Texas Declaration of Independence, and the Convention of 1836.
- Don’t forget to include the dates. Year, month, and day or days are required for each event.

Rubric:

| The five “W” questions or correct labels and dates | 50 points |
| Correct format, followed instructions | 10 points |
| Title | 10 points |
| Full-color | 20 points |
| Neatness and appearance | 10 points |