

**French Settlement in Texas**  
**TEST**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Read through the following statements. Decide whether you think each statement is true or false. Write T for true or F for false in the space before each statement.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Rene Robert Cavelier was also called Sieur de La Salle.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ La Salle was a French explorer who claimed the land around the Mississippi River for France.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Fort St. Louis was built in Texas to claim the Gulf of Mexico for France.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ Fort St. Louis thrived and was later bought by the Spanish government.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ La Salle sailed back to France in a ship called the Belle.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ The Belle sank in Matagorda Bay as it returned with more settlers for Fort St. Louis.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ La Salle was assassinated by one of his own men.
8. \_\_\_\_\_ The Karankawa helped the settlers of Fort St. Louis after La Salle was gone.
9. \_\_\_\_\_ The Belle was preserved for over 300 years in the mud in Matagorda Bay.
10. \_\_\_\_\_ When archaeologists excavated the Belle in 1996 and 1997, bells, axes, skulls and a cannon were found.