

## Mission San Sabá Study Questions

### Directions:

1. Log onto the Internet
2. Go to [www.texasbeyondhistory.net](http://www.texasbeyondhistory.net)
3. Click on the "Map Tool"
4. On the map, click on *Mission San Saba*
5. There are several separate sections to the site. The Study Question sections correspond to the following sections:
  - San Sabá Main
  - Spanish Motives
  - Lost and Found
  - Texas Tech Investigations

Scroll through each section of the site to find the correct information. Correct answers may not be in order in the readings.

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### San Sabá Main

<http://www.texasbeyondhistory.net/sansaba/index.html>

List six things you see in the painting at the top of this webpage:

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- 5.
- 6.
7. What is the title of the mural (painting)?
8. Why do you think the mural is titled as it is?
9. How do you think the artist knew what to paint if the mural was painted 6 years after the destruction of the mission?

10. What is a musket?
11. On what day did was the mission surrounded by Indians?
12. How many Indians surrounded the mission?
13. How did some of the people in the mission survive the Indian attack?
14. Where did the Indians get their guns?
15. Where did the mission survivors go during the night?
16. How many years did the Presidio continue to serve the community before it was abandoned?
17. Which priest pictured was head of the mission?
18. Where was the mural painted?

List three building materials used to build the San Sabá church and houses:

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22. Near what Texas town is the San Sabá Presidio located?

23. What was Presidio San Sabá originally called? (see aerial photograph)

24. Who led the archeological investigation of the San Sabá site?

25. Why do you think he was chosen as leader for this project?

### **Spanish Motives**

<http://www.texasbeyondhistory.net/sansaba/motives.html>

List 4 reasons the Spanish priests and soldiers had for moving to Texas.

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30. What river is near the mission?
31. What was used to fill in the spaces in the building's walls?
32. How far apart were the mission and the presidio?
33. Were the Spanish priests successful in Christianizing the Indians?
34. Where were traces of gold found?
35. What Alamo hero also tried mining?
36. Were the Spanish successful in mining?
37. What does Norteños mean?
38. Where is the Edwards Plateau located?

List two reasons why the Spanish wanted to tame and pacify the Indians.

- 39.
- 40.

List 3 places where the Spanish found a lot of gold and silver.

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- 42.
- 43.

#### **Lost and Found**

<http://www.texasbeyondhistory.net/sansaba/lost.html>

44. Who was a direct descendant of Jean Leal?
45. Why is Juan Leal remembered?
46. What method did Wolf use to help locate the San Sabá mission?

Which two persons owned the property on which the Mission San Sabá was found?

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List 2 items found at the mission by archeologists.

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51. Draw a picture of the fired daub found on this webpage.

52. Who was able to determine from Spanish records the distance between the mission and the presidio?

53. Draw a picture of the sherds of the Spanish olive jar found on this webpage.

54. What material was the bell that was found made of?

55. Where was the bell found?

56. Draw a picture of the bell found on this webpage.

57. Why was the bell not found in the burned-out mission?

58. What are the members of the archeological team standing in front of on this webpage?

**Texas Tech Investigations**

<http://www.texasbeyondhistory.net/sansaba/investigations.html>

59. What method of investigation did Tommy Tomesal use?

List 3 things he found:

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63. Draw a musket ball and a nail.

64. Why do you think finding such artifacts is important to archeologists?