Learn about Texas!
Read a story about any Texas subject (fiction or non-fiction). Tell what you learned from the story.

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San Jacinto Monument

The San Jacinto Monument is a 567-foot-high column located on the Houston Ship Channel. The monument is topped with a 220-ton star that commemorates the site of the Battle of San Jacinto, the decisive battle of the Texas Revolution. The freedom of Texas from Mexico won here led to annexation and to the Mexican–American War, resulting in the acquisition by the United States of the states of Texas and nine other states.
The mockingbird has the prettiest song of any bird native to North America. That’s perhaps the chief reason the “mocker” was adopted as the state bird of Texas in 1927. The song of the mockingbird is, in fact, a medley of the calls of many other birds. Each imitation is repeated two or three times, then another song is started, all in rapid succession. It is common for an individual bird to have as many as 25-30 songs in its repertory. The mockingbird is also known as a fierce protector of its nest and environment. It is about ten inches in length, including its relatively long tail. It has a light gray coat and a whitish underside. Its wings and tail are darker gray with white patches.

**State Bird: Mockingbird**
The word *Friendship* was adopted as the Texas state motto by the Texas Legislature in February 1930. The word was probably chosen because the name Texas or *Tejas* was the Spanish pronunciation of a Caddo Indian word sometimes translated to *friends* or *allies.*

Named for its color and, it is said, the resemblance of its petal to a woman's sunbonnet, the bluebonnet is the state flower of Texas. It blooms in the early spring and can be readily found in fields and along the roadsides throughout central and south Texas. It was adopted as the official state flower by the Texas Legislature in 1901.

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William Barret Travis was a 19th-century American lawyer and soldier. At the age of 25, he was a lieutenant colonel in the Texas Revolution. Travis commanded the garrison at the Alamo. During Santa Anna's siege of the Alamo, Travis wrote a letter addressed to the people of Texas and all Americans in the world: "VICTORY or DEATH." The letter, while unable to bring aid to the garrison at the Alamo, did much to motivate the Texian army and helped to rally support in America for the cause of Texas independence. If also contributed to theTexian army and helped to rally support in America for the cause of Texas independence.

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