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Chapter 12 Assessment and Activities

1. In the 1880’s not many people had made it to what is now known as Texas but at that time when only 3,000 people lived in Texas most of the population was made up of Tejanos. These Mexicans who claimed Texas as their home where brought into Texas and many other peoples were brought into Texas from Spanish Empresario’s. Most of the people that the Empresarios brought in were what the American people called emigrants. Many of these people were also called Rancheros or ranch owners that used Native Americans as their workers and mistreated them very badly. By this time some of the Forty- Niners were coming in from all over the world in search of their riches.

7. President Jackson refused to annex Texas because he thought that the addition of another slave state would upset the balance of slave and Free states in congress.

9. The two main causes of the United States’s war with Mexico was because America had twice offered to buy Texas from the Mexicans which made the Mexicans angry for wanting to buy their land and The Mexican government issued a decree stopping all immigration of Americans into Texas.

11. Austin was a good spokesperson for American settlers in Texas because he didn’t believe in slavery but he would approve of it because the people did, and he also got put in prison because he stood up for Texas’s independence.

17. The Rocky Mountains were the mountains that settler’s had to cross in able to get to Oregon’s Pacific Coast.

18. The Oregon Trail started in Independence Missouri and it ended in Portland Oregon.