**The Alamo**

*A timeline of events and people*

1. Mexico has gained independence from Spain
2. Americans begin to settle in Texas after Moses Austin in 1820 receives a land grant to settle American families.
3. 1821, Stephen Austin, Moses son, brings settlers. Austin, Texas will be named after Stephen.
4. 1824 Mexican constitution. Texas swears allegiance to Santa Anna.
5. Santa Anna becomes dictator and Texas begins to seek independence.
6. After successful battles against the Mexicans the Alamo will be made an example by Santa Anna
7. People
   1. Jim Bowie: Colonel in charge of the volunteers at the Alamo. He had married a Mexican woman and lived a wealthy life in Texas before she and her family died from cholera. Bowie was known for knife fights with the huge blade of his brother’s invention; the Bowie knife.
   2. Davy Crockett: Former congressman and living legend. Backwoods frontiers man noted for his hunting and fighting ability.
   3. William Travis: Former lawyer turned military man from Alabama. Left his pregnant wife and child with a huge debt back home.
   4. Sam Houston: Commander of the regular army in Texas.
   5. Antonio de Lopez de Santa Anna: Mexican general and leader of Mexico.
8. Battle of the Alamo Feb. 23-March 6, 1830
   1. Mexican Army storms the fort and kills all of its defenders
9. Battle of San Jacinto: April 21, 1836
   1. Sam Houston and Texan Army, with cries of “Remember the Alamo” attack Santa Anna’s army and defeat them.
   2. Santa Anna is captured and signs over Texas to Houston.