



Alamo Archaeology Word Search 1



Y J N O G T A D E N E L T T A B J E E N
 O M A L A T R O X Z O Z S C I B Y L O E
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 S T M B C G Q P K L B Z C V B O V H A Q
 I K Y P R C K U I U U F Z H F J C W U F

Word Bank

Alamo

Archaeology

Artifact

Atlatl

Battle

Ceramic

Church

Compass

Dart

Excavation

Historic

Lithic

Long Barrack

Mission

Musket ball

Potsherd

Sifting Screen

Soil

Stratigraphy

Survey

Trowel

The ALAMO

Alamo

This historic site began as a Spanish mission and was later used by various armies. The Alamo is one of five Spanish missions in San Antonio designated a UNESCO World Heritage

Archaeology

The study of past human populations using material culture

Artifact

Material objects made or modified by people

Atlatl

An atlatl functions as a lever to propel a dart or spear. Atlatls were used by humans as early as 20,000 years ago

Battle

The Battle of the Alamo in 1836 was a defining event of the Texas Revolution

Ceramic

Another term for clay pottery

Church

The Alamo Church was originally built as a place of worship but was never fully completed. The Church was used in various ways after secularization in

Compass

A navigation tool that provides

Dart

A stone point attached to a wooden shaft that was used in hunting

Excavation

A type of archaeological investigation that includes digging systematically to identify potential evidence of the past

Historic

An item, person, or event from the past. For archaeologists, for something to be historic it must be at least 50 years old

Lithic

Lithic is the archaeological term for a stone tool

Long Barrack

The Long Barrack was originally built as a Convento, used as living space and offices of the Spanish missionaries. It is the oldest structure at the Alamo site

Mission

Churches with living quarters and workshops built by Spanish Catholic missionaries

Musket ball

Round ammunition fired

Potsherd

A broken piece of

Sifting Screen

A screen with tiny holes that soil is sifted through to reveal potential artifacts.

Soil

The mixture of minerals, organic material, air, and water that covers the Earth's surface

Stratigraphy

The different layers of the earth

Survey

A type of archaeological investigation that includes walking through an area and looking for signs of artifacts or features

Trowel

A hand tool used by archaeologists to excavate



Alamo Archaeology Word Search 2

P K Y S U X B A Y C
C R I C I M A R E C
T O A W Q V T T F M
S R M L K R T I Y I
A S O P A B L F G S
H X G W A M E A Q S
E W B Q E S O C P I
T Z P K W L S T X O
P O T S H E R D N N
F I B M B S O I L I

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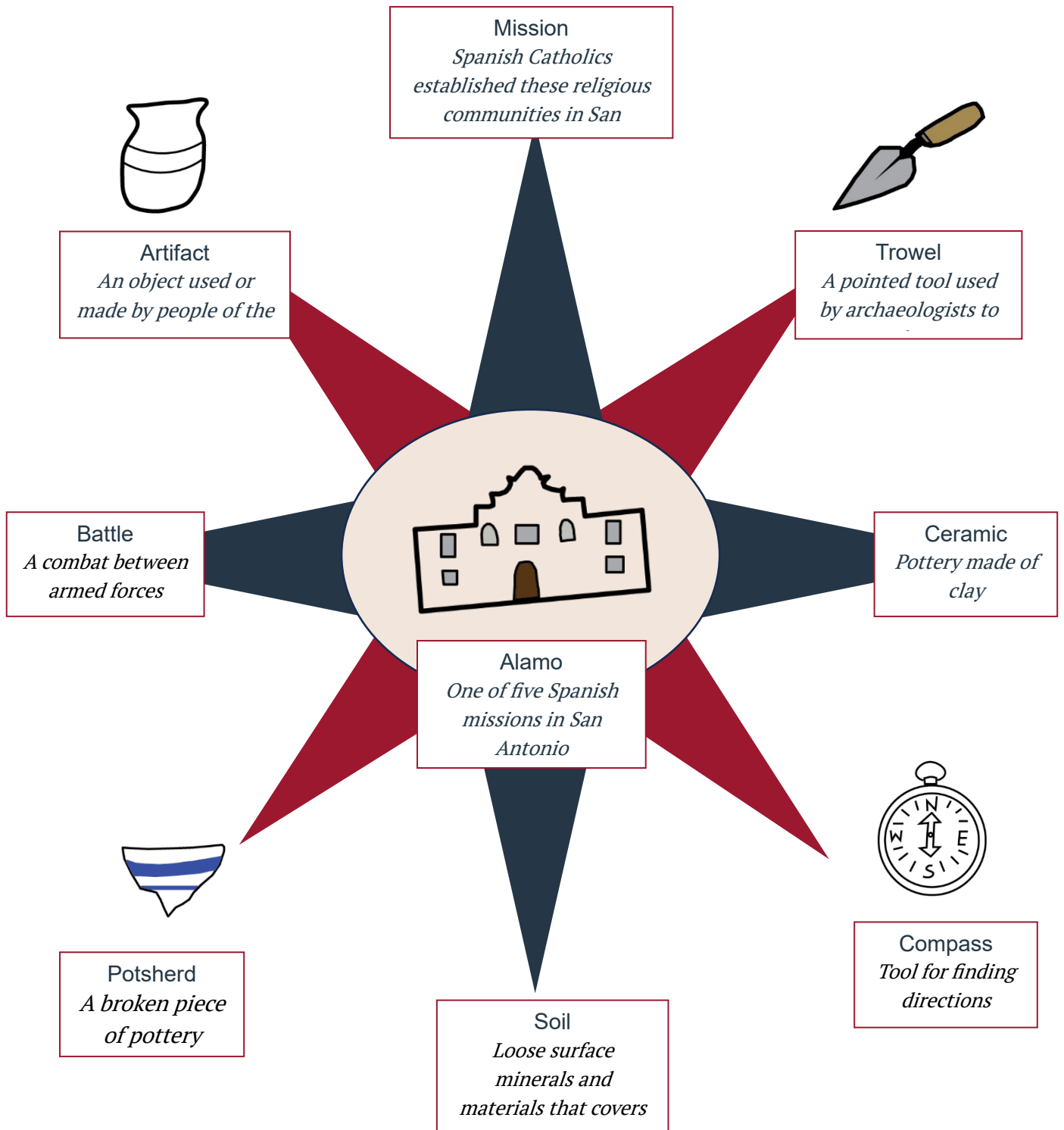
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Alamo Archaeology Crossword Puzzle 1

The crossword puzzle grid consists of 16 numbered starting points for words. The grid is partially filled with black squares. To the right of the grid is a list of clues for 'Down' and 'Across' words. Below the grid are four illustrations: a cross-section of a stone wall, a blue and white striped fragment, a grid tray, and a rectangular box with a grid pattern.

Down:

1. The order and position of different geological layers that archaeologists use to understand time scale
3. A piece of stone that comes off during flintknapping. Often looks triangular
4. Material used to build the Alamo Church
5. Irrigation ditches dug by the Spanish and found throughout San Antonio
6. The original name of the Alamo site
8. Immoveable evidence of the human past, such as a hearth or wall foundation
11. Fortification trench located at the south wall of Alamo compound
14. Material used to make pottery

Across

2. The 1836 Battle of the Alamo played an important role during this time
9. Glossy, sometimes colorful, coating on ceramics
10. The study of the past using material culture
12. Permanent storage and care of artifacts at a museum
13. Measuring tool to show dimensions
15. Relationship of artifacts and their surroundings
16. Archaeology is a part of this process of learning about the natural world

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Alamo Archaeology Crossworld Puzzle 2

ACROSS

1. Archaeologists _____ for cultural material that people from the past left behind.
4. A trowel is a type of _____ archaeologists use to dig.
6. Portable manmade objects that are found beneath the ground are called _____.
7. A bucket of _____ is placed on the sifting screen to help archaeologists look for artifacts.

DOWN

2. A historic _____ bottle may have held medicine or ink.
3. Clay is used to make _____.
5. The _____ is one of the five historical missions in San Antonio.