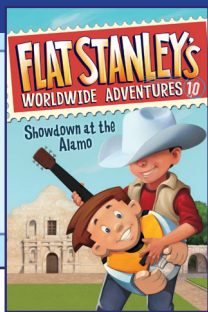


ALL ABOUT THE ALAMO



In *Flat Stanley's Worldwide Adventures #10: Showdown at the Alamo*, Flat Stanley, Arthur, and Carlos meet Mrs. Lambchop at the Alamo, a former Roman Catholic mission and fort built in the 1700s. Have students identify additional facts about the Alamo, Davy Crockett, and Sam Houston from their reading of the text and then complete the activity below.

Identify three facts about the ALAMO:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Identify one fact about DAVY CROCKETT:

1. _____

Identify one fact about SAM HOUSTON:

1. _____

Discuss students' understanding and then guide them through developing three to five questions to investigate further. Sample questions might include:

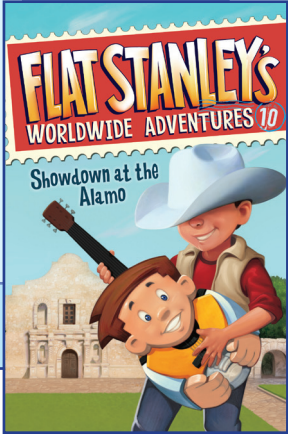
1. What is the Alamo and what purpose did it serve?
2. What was the Battle of the Alamo?
3. Who were Davy Crockett and Sam Houston?
4. What role did Davy Crockett and Sam Houston play in the Battle of the Alamo?
5. What does the expression "Remember the Alamo" mean?

Have students choose a question to investigate further and write a paragraph that answers their question. Ask students to read their pieces aloud.



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WELCOME TO THE LONE STAR STATE, Y'ALL



In *Flat Stanley's Worldwide Adventures #10: Showdown at the Alamo*, Flat Stanley takes a road trip through Texas. He sees several historical and geographical sites, including the Alamo, Cadillac Ranch, a wind farm, and Enchanted Rock. Use facts from the story to complete the following activity.



CREATE ACROSTIC POETRY

An acrostic poem uses the letters in a word to begin each line. Each line should describe the topic word. Review the sample acrostic poem to the right, and then use facts about the Alamo and Texas to write your own acrostic poems. Read your poems out loud to an audience.

WILD AND FREE
IN MY FACE
WIND
NEEDS NO HOME
DRIVES THE SNOW

ALAMO

A _____
L _____
A _____
M _____
O _____

TEXAS

T _____
E _____
X _____
A _____
S _____

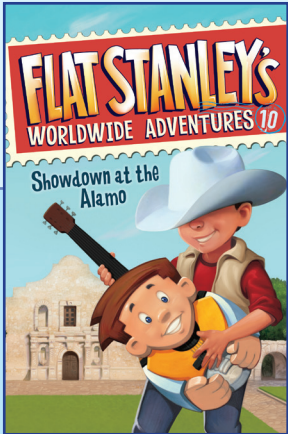
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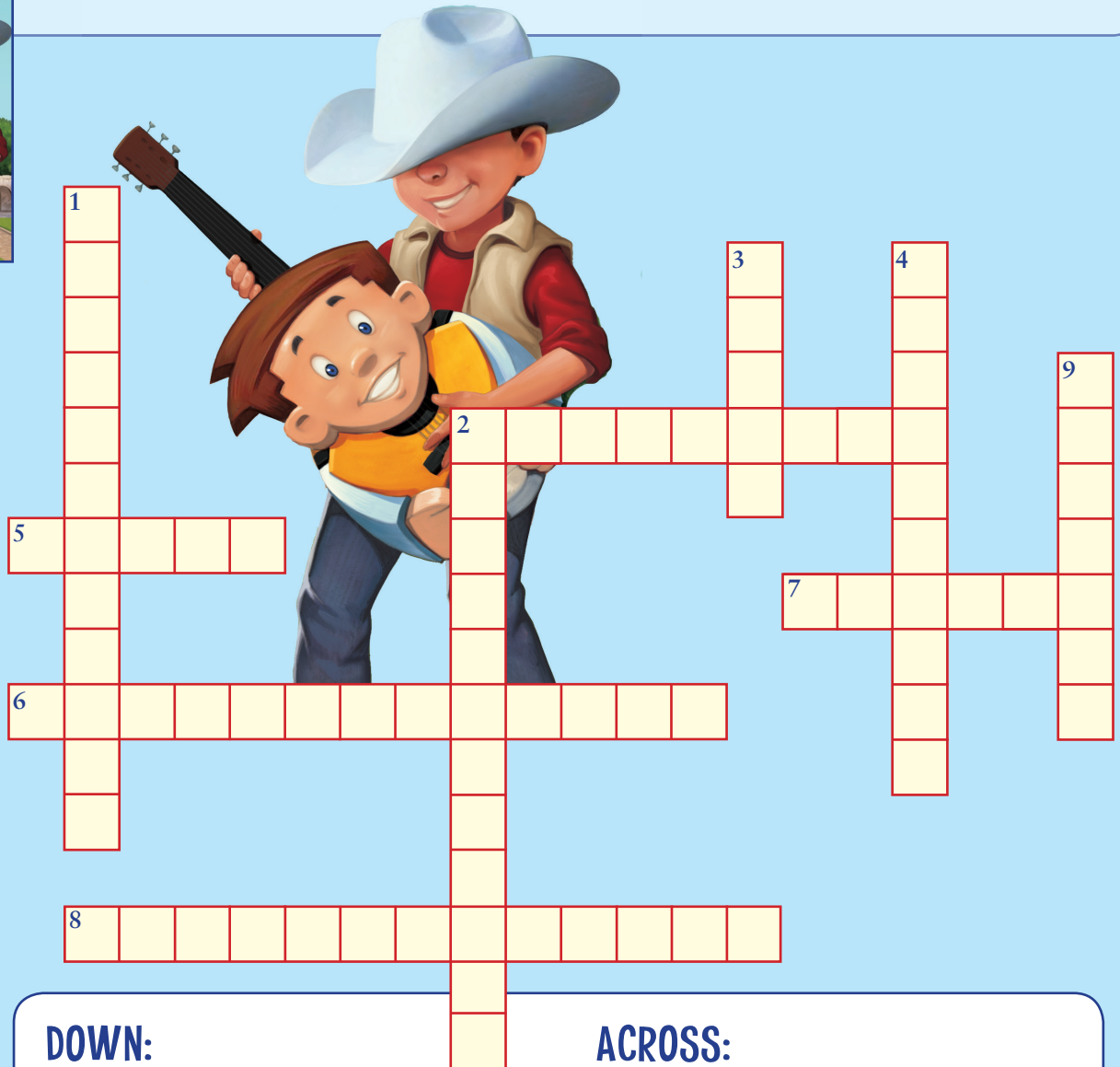
TEXAS CROSSWORD



Flat Stanley learns many facts about Texas in *Flat Stanley's Worldwide Adventures #10: Showdown at the Alamo*. Complete the crossword puzzle below to help Stanley demonstrate his knowledge of the state's history and famous landmarks.

FUN FACT:

The Caddo Nation is a Native American tribe that lived in the southern plain states of Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, and Arkansas. Unlike Native American tribes of the western plains, they lived in dwellings. Today they have their own government, and the capital of their Nation resides in Binger, Oklahoma.



DOWN:

1. Produces energy
2. Tennessee Congressman
3. Lone Star State
4. First President of Texas
9. Caddo meaning of the word "Texas"

ACROSS:

2. Vacation resort offering horseback riding
5. Famous Texas battle site
6. Famous art display
7. Capital of Texas
8. Ascribed spiritual powers

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