

MAKING A LIVING

BULLOCK TEXAS STATE HISTORY MUSEUM







Look at the exhibits! | How have Texans made a living? | Think about it! | Make a connection!

FIRST FLOOR

Packing for a Colony



LOOK at the items found with the La Belle shipwreck. Why were these items brought to the New World?

	What material is it made from?	Was it brought for trade or to keep?
		
		
		
		

I'll trade you for it!

1. DRAW the artifact from La Belle that you would like to own.

2. I would trade my _____ for the _____ because _____

FIRST FLOOR

Emigrants and Colonists—Go to Texas!



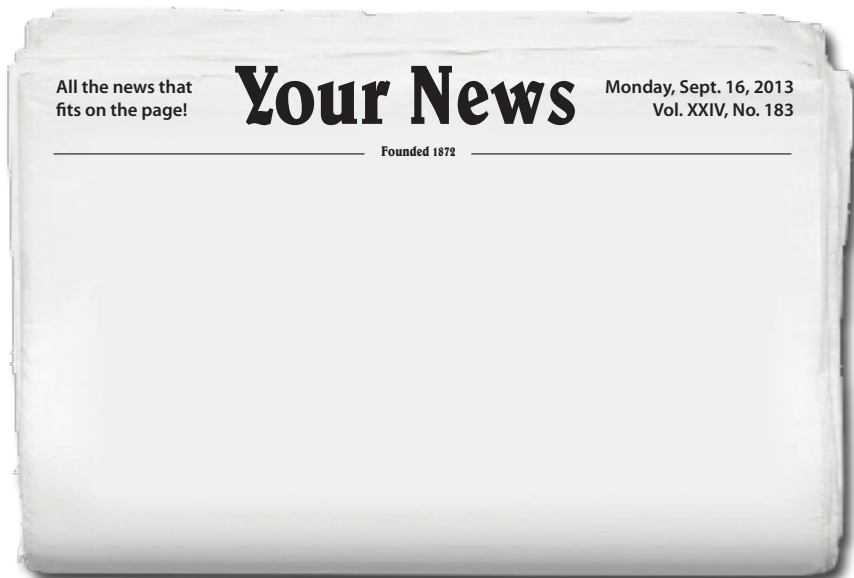
LOOK at the advertisements made by railroad companies, then look at the reality shown in the photos. Do they match?

Yes No

Why do you think railroad companies did not tell the truth about what settlers would find in Texas?

Be an artist!

How would YOU brag about Texas? Create your own advertisement to get people to move to Texas.



SECOND FLOOR

White Gold

In the 1850s the cotton industry was HUGE in Texas!



See if you can spot the cotton bales

Did you know?



= 215 Pants
or
1,217 Shirts
or
4,321 Socks
or
\$6,000



Why was cotton called White Gold?

COUNT the cotton bales stacked under the Bayou City sign: _____

How much money would the landowner make from selling those bales?

_____ bales x \$ 6,000 per bale = \$ _____ profit

Who benefitted?

LOOK at the objects in the cases *Planter Elite* and *Enduring Servitude*. CHOOSE from the words below to describe the objects, and write them in the correct box:

sturdy shiny fragile fancy wooden plain

Landowners	Enslaved People

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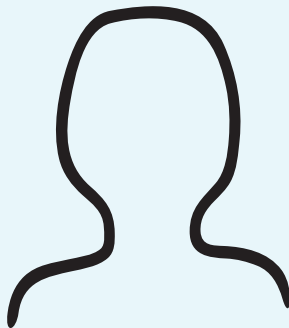
"There is Work to be Done"

LOOK at the photographs, and NAME the different types of jobs that people did after the Civil War:

_____	_____
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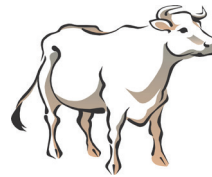
Which of these jobs would YOU like to have done, and why?

Texas workers wear many hats. What hat do you think you would have worn for this job? DRAW yourself wearing that hat.



THIRD FLOOR

Cattle Drive: Is it Worth the Risk?



Reach down and FEEL the floor...Can you tell what has been travelling on it?

After the Civil War there were MILLIONS of cows roaming around Texas. Ranchers would round them up and travel HUNDREDS of miles to sell them.

PLAY the game "Cattle Drive Dangers" on the TV screen, and LIST the dangers cowboys faced. CIRCLE which you think is the most dangerous.



Make Money with Math!

Ranchers would sell their cattle in Texas for \$2 per cow OR they would drive the cattle to Kansas and sell them for \$20 per cow.

CALCULATE:

TEXAS: 2,000 cows X \$2 each = \$_____

KANSAS: 2,000 cows X \$20 each = \$_____

Do you think making the extra money was worth these risks? Why or why not?

Oil Boom

Wildcatter

Roughneck

Boll Weevil

Roustabout

Risk taker who uses his own money to scout for oil



How will YOU make a living in the future?

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