

THE ALAMO

What do you know about the Alamo?

The **Alamo** was a **fort in Texas** that became the defining point of a conflict between Texan-Americans and the Republic of Mexico. The Texans were part of Mexico but wanted to be part of the United States. A major battle in this conflict happened at the Alamo.

Of course, the fight for **Texan Independence** started before this battle. While the Republic of Mexico considered Texas an important area to have control of, the people of the Texas were desperate for more independence. They formed a small army to fight against the Mexican President and **General Santa Anna**, and revolts began to break out.

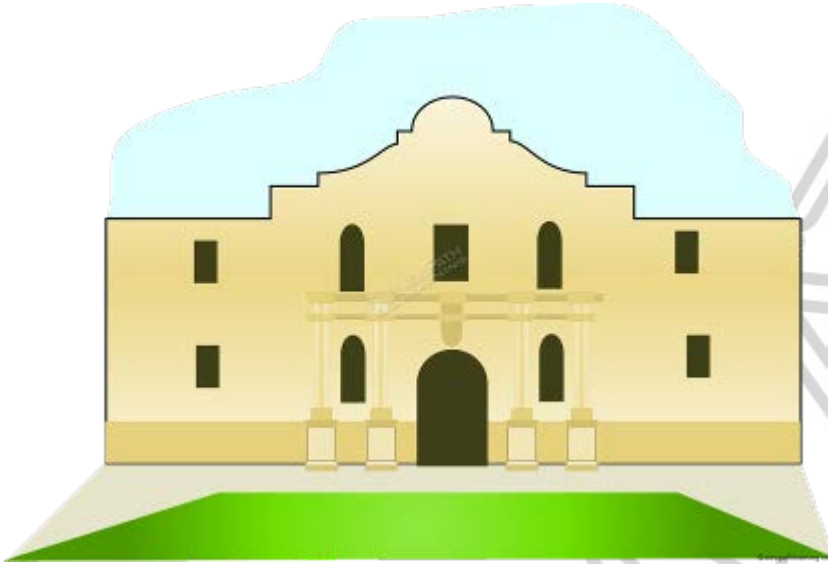


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The Alamo developed into an important place in the Texan Revolution when it was occupied by the Texans after a battle with the Mexican army. Santa Anna decided to surprise the **Tejanos** by sneaking up on them, which was the beginning of the thirteen-day **Battle of the Alamo in 1836**.

The Battle of the Alamo finally ended when Santa Anna ordered the Texans to surrender. Upon their refusal, his army attacked the Alamo, leaving only a few prisoners.



The Battle of the Alamo was devastating for Texas and the United States. Yet the cruelty of the Mexican President fueled Texans' passion for independence, which rallied the Texans in later battles. Finally, Texas won its independence from Mexico a few months later.



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