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**Mexican American War WebQuest**

Directions: Use the link for each task to answer the questions below.

Link # 1 - <http://www.pbs.org/kera/usmexicanwar/prelude/md_introduction.html>

1. What was Manifest Destiny and what were 3 reasons promoting U.S. expansion during this period?
2. When did Mexico win its independence from Spain? What were at least 3 problems Mexico faced as they tried to form colonies in their northern territories?

Link # 2 - <http://www.historyguy.com/Mexican-American_War.html>

1. How much did the United States offer to pay Mexico for California?
2. What were the 2 causes of the Mexican American War?
3. What were the requirements asked of the settlers in Texas?
4. What treaty gave Texas its independence from Mexico? When was it signed? Why did many Mexicans refuse to accept the treaty? When did Texas join the U.S.?
5. What border did both Mexico and the United States claim as their own? When did the first battle of the Mexican – American war take place?

Link # 3 - <http://dig.lib.niu.edu/mexicanwar/origins.html>

1. Who was the U.S. President during the Mexican – American War? On what issues did he campaign?
2. Did the U.S. seek to enter a war with Mexico? How did they first attempt to acquire Mexico’s northern territories? How successful were these attempts?
3. Why did Mexico think that the U.S. had attacked them? What was the U.S. response?

Link # 4 - <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/California_Republic>

1. What Mexican province was claimed at the outbreak of the war? Who led the U.S. in taking this territory?

Link # 5 - <http://dig.lib.niu.edu/mexicanwar/militarycampaigns.html>

1. How many U.S. forces were sent to fight the war? Where did they go to fight?
2. What did the Battle of San Gabriel accomplish?

Link # 6 - <http://dig.lib.niu.edu/mexicanwar/impact.html>

1. What was the name of the treaty that ended the Mexican – American war? What did the United States get? What states came from the land acquired? What did they give to Mexico?