

Early Ranching in Texas

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Complete the sentences using the word bank below.

1. The Spanish brought cattle to _____ soon after they began colonization in the 1500s.
2. In the beginning, ranching included raising _____, sheep, goats and, horses.
3. By the 1730s, Spanish _____ were operating cattle ranches around Goliad and San Antonio.
4. Franciscan _____ were in charge of caring for the livestock, making them the first ranchers in Texas.
5. Later private ranchers rounded up herds to drive to market at _____.
6. _____, meaning “ownerless,” referred to both cattle and horses and was later known as “mustang.”
7. Chaps, worn by cowboys, came from the Spanish word _____.
8. The _____, was an essential tool for ranching.
9. A modern descendant of Spanish cattle, is the Texas _____.
10. Families could obtain a league, or _____ of land, for grazing animals.

Word Bank

SITIO

NEW SPAIN

MESTEÑO

LONGHORN

MISSIONS

NEW ORLEANS

PRIESTS

CHAPARRERAS

LASSO

CATTLE