THE GREAT MILITARY MAP OF TEXAS GUIDING QUESTIONS

1. This commemorative map was created to honor a particular group of people. What group is this?

_________________________________________________________________________________

2. How does the use of color enhance the map’s visual appeal?

_________________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________________

3. How are facts on the map arranged? How does this arrangement help the reader understand the military history of Texas?

_________________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________________

4. How are symbols used to help the reader identify information? Give one example.

_________________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________________

5. How does the artwork complement the facts on the map?

_________________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________________

6. The Great Military Map of Texas was hand-drawn by an artist and draftsman, using 19th century technology. Creating the map with today’s digital technology would have been much faster and easier. Why do you think the older method was used?

_________________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________________
7. Commemorative maps can be great tools for learning about a specific topic. What advantages does this map have over conventional textbook information?
_________________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________________
What disadvantages does this map have over conventional textbook information?
_________________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________________

8. The facts represented on this map were researched and compiled by many people. Given this information, is this map a primary or secondary source? Explain your answer.
_________________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________________

9. List two facts you’ve learned that you didn’t know prior to studying this map.
_________________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________________

10. Imagine you were the researcher for this commemorative map. What facts or incidents relating to Texas military history would you like to add?
_________________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________________

The Great Military Map of Texas is an excellent example of a commemorative map and how facts related to a theme can enhance learning.

You will now use what you have learned to create your own commemorative map!