

California Mission Project

Much of California's history began with the construction of the Spanish Missions. The chain of 21 missions along California's El Camino Real ("The Royal Highway") marked the arrival of the first non-Native Americans to California. The California Mission project is designed to gain awareness of these early Spanish Missions in California.

Directions: Each student is to choose one of the 21 Spanish Missions for their Mission Project.

(Total Points: 40)

(20 Points) Part 1: Write an essay of factual information about the Mission. The essay will include:

- A) Name and location of the Mission (where is it located in California?)
- B) Year the Mission was founded
- C) Name of the person who Founded the Mission, or who the Mission was named for
- D) At least three interesting facts about the Mission

Please see the attached Mission Project Guide Sheet to help you with the formatting of your essay.

(20 Points) Part 2: You may draw a picture, build a model, or create a Power Point presentation on your mission.

Mission Project Guide Sheet

Paragraph One

Introduction to Missions

What are missions? _____

Who founded them? _____

Why were they built? _____

Paragraph Two

Name _____ Location _____

Date Established _____

Founder _____ Present day cities _____

Region _____

Plants, animals, geographical features of the area _____

Paragraph Three

Describe the buildings _____

Describe the bell tower and church _____

Natural disasters or relocations? _____

Native Americans? _____

Agriculture _____

Paragraph Four

Daily activities of the Spanish _____

Daily activities of the Natives _____

Who was responsible for which jobs? _____

Treatment of the Natives _____

Paragraph Five (conclusion)