7th Grade Pre-Visit Worksheet

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Subsistence Pattern: sources and methods a society uses to obtain its food and other necessities
There are 4 basic types of subsistence patterns:
1. Foraging – hunting and gathering
2. Pastoralism – herding domesticated animals
3. Horticulture – small, low-intensity farming
4. Intensive agriculture – large scale, intensive farming

How do you think the American Indians of southern Texas lived before Spanish colonialism?

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What do you think the advantages of foraging on horseback (equestrian) compared to foraging on foot (pedestrian)?

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Which approach of foraging (equestrian or pedestrian) would have the advantage if there were to be a drastic change in the weather or water supply and why? Which approach is at a disadvantage due to amount of time required to secure resources and why?

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Over 200 bands of American Indians in southern Texas collectively known as Coahuiltecs struggled to survive in the early 1700s due to an extensive period of drought. Why did some Coahuiltecs join the missions and others did not?

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