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Write Your Own *Texas Originals* Script

Texas Originals is a radio series about people who had an impact on Texas. You can hear it on public radio stations around the state. Your assignment is to pick up your pen—or sit down at your computer—and write about someone you think impacted Texas! You will do research about them and then write a script.

Choose a person from the list from your teacher to research and write about.

Who are you going to research and write about?

Research your chosen person and answer the questions below.

Biographical details: When/where were they born? Where/how did they die? When and why did they come to Texas?

Impact: How did they impact Texas?

Interesting details: What did you learn that surprised you? What do you want to tell other people about this person?

Legacy: Where can people go, or what can they see, to witness this person's legacy?

Keep track of the resources you use to write a works cited list.

It is now time to turn your research into a script. Remember that you are trying to write a script that takes no more than two minutes to read aloud. You should try to write between 150-200 words, with a maximum limit of 225 words.

Hook: Write a sentence or a few sentences that catch the listener's attention right away.

Biographical Details: Write a few sentences that say where and when the person was born.

Impact: Write a few sentences that explain the person's impact. Explain in clear terms and include details. What is interesting about them?

Quote: Include a quote from the person or from someone talking about them. Don't forget to use quotation marks for direct quotations. Be sure to put the source of a direct quote on your works cited list.

Conclusion: End with a few sentences about a thing or place in Texas where people can see the person's legacy.