

# Online Book Club

## The Mystery of the Alamo Ghost

### Bring It To Life!

1. Have a Mexican food fiesta! Ask book club members and their parents to prepare a Mexican dish to share. Can't you just taste the enchiladas, fajitas, tacos, salsa, guacamole, and chimichangas? The possibilities are endless—and delicious!
2. Research the floor plan of the Alamo mission. Draw the floor plan on a poster board. Label each room with a different color. How many rooms were there? Do you think it was pretty crowded with 200 soldiers living there?
3. Are you clueless—or not? After everyone has finished reading the book, divide the book club into two teams. Direct each team to recall as many clues as they can from the book. List each clue, and then write down how each clue makes sense now that everyone knows the end of the story! The team with the most clues is the winner!
4. Create a crossword puzzle! Ask for a volunteer who is willing to create a crossword puzzle using the Spanish glossary words in the book. Pass out the crossword to book club members, and see who finishes (with all the words correct) first!





**Fact**

or

**Fiction**

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Write Fact or Fiction next to each sentence below.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Grant accidentally stuck a peanut up Christina's nose when the airplane hit some turbulence.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Christina and Grant stayed in a hotel that used to be the San Antonio jail.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. All of the soldiers defending the Alamo died in the battle against Santa Anna and the Mexican Army.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Grant's shoelaces caught on fire when the trash barrel full of charred wood turned over near his feet.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. All the soldiers who died at the Alamo were buried in an Army cemetery near San Antonio.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Davy Crockett was from the state of Tennessee.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. The young intern who gave Christina, Grant, Rose, and Juan a tour of the Alamo was named Papaya.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. Today, the Alamo is surrounded by hotels, shops, and fast food restaurants.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. It was Grant's idea to go back to the Alamo at night and look for ghosts.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. Christina thought the Alamo was a creepy place at night.

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### Talk About It!

1. Who was your favorite character? Why?
2. What was your favorite part of the book? Why?
3. What was the scariest part of the book? Why?
4. How do you think the 200 soldiers in the Alamo felt when they faced 6000 Mexican soldiers? Were the Alamo defenders brave or unwise for choosing to fight to the death?
5. Do you like to learn about historical places like the Alamo? Why or why not?
6. Is Christina brave for going into the Alamo chapel alone in the dark? Discuss the difference between bravery, courage, and foolishness.
7. Why is Christina sad about the buildings and businesses that have developed around the Alamo? Discuss the reasons for preserving an historic place.
8. What do you like about reading mysteries?



# Write a letter!

Christina, Grant, Mimi, and Papa love to hear from their friends. Write a letter to your favorite Carole Marsh Mysteries Character. Mail your letter to:

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Dear \_\_\_\_\_,

Sincerely,