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Arizona and Mexico

Most of Arizona became part of the United States after the Mexican-American War (Mexican Cession of 1848). An international border now existed in southern Arizona along the Gila River. The border was moved south to its present location after the Gadsden Purchase from Mexico in 1854. Mexican ranchers in Southern Arizona were now citizens of the United States. When Arizona became a part of the United States nearly all of Arizona's ranches and farms were in the southern part of the territory. Mexican families owned most of these ranches. These families planted crops and raised sheep, cattle, and goats for themselves and to sell.

Map Activities

A. Use the map scale to answer the questions.

1. About how far is it from Amado to Tucson in miles?

2. About how far is it from Amado to Nogales in miles?

3. What is the total distance from Tucson to Nogales in miles?

B. Color in the Gadsden Purchase on your map.

The Roundup

C. Place the events of the roundup in the correct sequence by numbering them from 1 to 5 in the order in which they happened.

_____ The vaqueros lassoed the calves and wrestled them down to the ground.

_____ Papa said he wanted the boys to help with the branding.

_____ The first night the boys got to eat with the vaqueros.

_____ After the work of the roundup was over, they made the fiesta!

_____ The vaqueros killed a cow and then dug a big hole in which to cook the cow

Customs from Mexico

As you read the book, identify customs borrowed from Mexico and list the page number on which they are found in the book.

Custom	Page Number
Food	
Holidays	
Activities	

Assessment **Answer Key** for Reading the Coyote School News

Map

3 points for the map scale.

1. About 30 miles
2. About 25 miles
3. About 55 miles

1 point for correctly coloring in the Gadsden Purchase area.

Customs from Mexico

Food	Page number
chiles	16
tamales	25
carne seca	26
menudo	26
dulces	26
tortillas	27
frijoles con queso	30

Holidays **Page number**

Dia de los Muertos	22
Nochebuena	26

Activities **Page number**

piñata	26
rodeo	29, 31
fiesta	40

Roundup Sequence

3
2
1
5
4