



Journey of Problem Solving

Lesson Three – Post-Visit Activities

Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail



Letter Home

Name: _____ **Date:** _____

You have arrived at your final destination. You need to write a letter for Commander Anza to take back to Sonora for your friends or relatives left behind. Describe your trip in your letter and how you feel about the journey.

Use at least two of these sentence starters in your letter:

This trip has been.....

One of the most interesting things I saw.....

I was really afraid when

I think you would like Alta California because

July 1776
San Francisco, Alta California
New Spain

Dear _____,

A large rectangular box containing 20 horizontal lines for writing.

Sincerely, (sign name)



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Assessment

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Answer the following questions on another sheet of paper, in a song, acted out in a play, on a poster, recorded on tape, as a power point presentation, or some other teacher approved way.

1. Why was Anza going on this expedition?
2. Why would anyone consider going to an unknown land?
3. What supplies would you bring with you for your walk to California, knowing you would not be returning?
4. What would you need to keep you safe, fed, entertained, and healthy?
5. How did the expedition cross the Colorado River?
6. How did they find water?
7. Was Anza a good leader?
8. How has the area we walked changed from the Natives' time to the present?
9. Who would have been the first inhabitants (people) of the San Juan Bautista area that the expedition might have seen?
10. How would the Native Americans have survived in the San Juan Bautista area?
11. What would have changed for the Mutsun when in 1797 Father Lasuen brought the mission system to San Juan Bautista?
12. What happened to the settlers after they reached San Francisco?

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