

Social Studies, Grade 2

Unit V: Lesson B1

Story: **Native Americans and the Missions**



Research the Spanish Missions in the Southwestern United States. Learn why the missions were started. Learn about the Native Americans who lived near the missions. Learn what things the priest and Native Americans did in the missions. If possible, visit a restored mission near your community.

Think about how the lives of the Native Americans changed after the missions were built. Think of how you might have felt if you had been a Native American during that time. Think of how you might have felt if you had been one of the Spanish missionaries.

Write an illustrated story showing how the lives of the Native Americans changed after the Spanish missions were built. Show in your story how the Native Americans and the missionaries felt. Share the story with your class.