

SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO

History, Culture & Community Identity

GRADES 3–5

TEAM OF 4

BATTLE OF THE COUNTIES



YOUR CHALLENGE

Carry forward something meaningful about San Juan Capistrano's history, culture, or identity.

BEFORE YOU BUILD: Acjachemen culture → The Mission → Heritage today → Whose stories?

1 Build Your Vision

in Minecraft Education

Create a place that helps people learn about, experience, or remember something meaningful about San Juan Capistrano.

- **2+ features** that help tell or carry forward the story
- Use something you learned exploring San Juan Capistrano
- Show who the place is for and why the story or tradition matters

2 Add a Board

place 1+ near your build

Your Board must include:

Project Name

What We Are Carrying Forward

Our Idea

Who It Is For

Why It Matters

Need help? [How to use Boards](#)

3 Create an NPC

1+ character who explains your idea

- Give it a **name** and a **job** tied to your build
- Use dialogue to explain your idea and why it matters
- Add **1+ external link** that supports your idea

Need help? [How to create an NPC](#)

4 Record a Tour

a video walkthrough of your build

≤ 3 MIN

EVERY VOICE

MP4

- Show your build, Board, and NPC
- Explain what you chose to carry forward and what you created
- Share something you learned in San Juan Capistrano
- Tell who it's for, what people would experience, and why it matters for the future

Screen recording: [Windows / PC](#) | [Chromebook](#)

Other recorders OK with teacher approval — export to MP4.



SHOW WHAT YOUR TEAM LEARNED.

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San Juan Capistrano History, Culture & Identity Rubric



TEAM SCORE

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CRITERIA	1 Emerging	2 Developing	3 Progressing	4 Excelling	PTS
History, Culture & Identity Challenge What are you carrying forward?	Doesn't yet show what story, culture, place, or tradition it carries forward.	Shows an idea, but what it helps people learn or remember isn't clear.	Clearly carries forward something meaningful and shows what people could learn, experience, or remember.	Thoughtful understanding of community identity; a meaningful way for future generations to connect with the story.	____ / 4
Community Learning & Perspective Did San Juan Capistrano shape it?	No connection to San Juan Capistrano learning yet.	Mentions the experience, but the link to the build is unclear.	Uses at least 1 useful idea or perspective from San Juan Capistrano.	Clearly shows how history, living culture, or different perspectives shaped what the team carried forward.	____ / 4
Design & Creativity Is the build purposeful?	Incomplete, or purpose is hard to understand.	Some purposeful features, but they need more detail.	2+ purposeful features that help people learn, gather, remember, celebrate, or connect.	Creative, purposeful features work together to create a meaningful visitor experience.	____ / 4
Communication & Team Voice Board · NPC · link · tour	Board, NPC, link, or tour missing. Team voices unclear.	Some parts done; explanation or teamwork unclear.	Board & NPC explain the idea, NPC has a relevant link, tour includes every voice .	All parts work together to explain what's carried forward and why it matters. Everyone contributes meaningfully.	____ / 4

Level 3 = all requirements met. Level 4 = goes beyond.