

Vow of Silence

DO NOT disturb any
of the stations.

Sit Down on the Floor. Fill out your agenda, complete the warm-up, then put it and your notebook on or under the table at the back of the room, or on the bookcase.

You will earn a grade for today's activity!

- *Behave and maintain the vow of silence*
- *Read the station handouts*
- *Follow the directions*

If you are allergic to any seeds of any sort (corn kernels, sunflower seeds, peanuts), skip the stations using those products: Kitchen Duties, Sorting Seeds/Agriculture, Planting/Agriculture.

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Your task today will be to interpret to your classmates what your teacher is saying. Let the teacher speak first, then repeat in English what he/she is saying. Be sure to wave your hands around a lot like you are using sign language.

“I am one of you. But unlike you, I know how to speak the language of this white person.”

“Friar (teacher’s last name) welcomes you to the Mission San (teacher’s first name) de (teacher’s last name). We will teach you to be good citizens for our king, queen and monarchs.”

“Today you will learn how to live in a mission. Before we can begin, you must make three vows: poverty, obedience and silence. Raise your hand and repeat after me: ‘I vow, for the duration of this entire activity, to give up my personal possessions, to obey all rules of this mission and to maintain total silence’.”

“Now we will begin our life in a mission. Friar (teacher’s last name) will tell you where to go and when to begin. When you get to your location, you need to read the directions at that portion of the mission and do what they say. When he/she rings the bell, you will need to go to the next station in a clockwise manner. Remember, maintain total silence at all times!!!”

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