

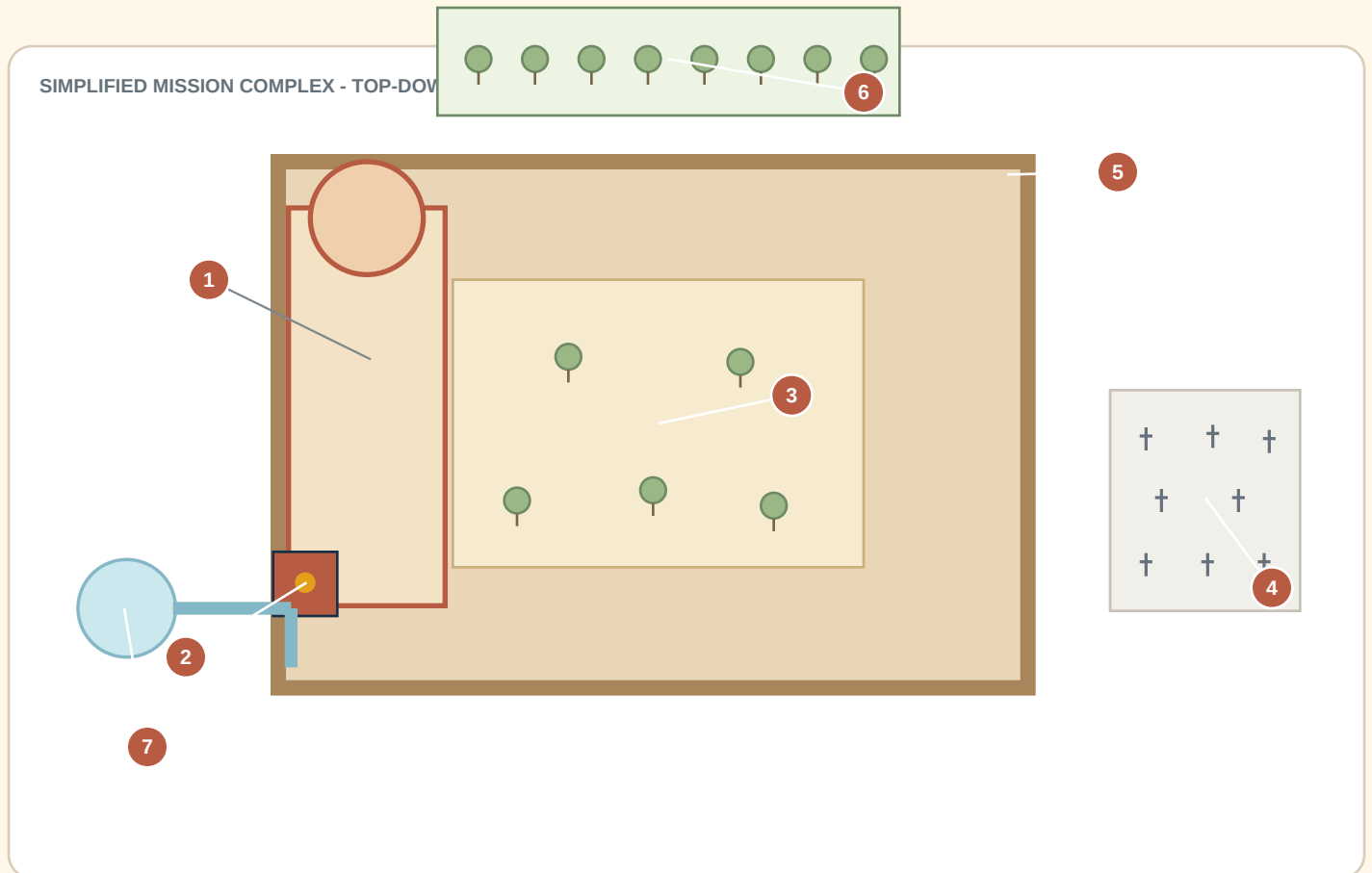
Mission Architecture Worksheet

California Missions Learning Center • identify common features of a mission complex

Name: _____

Date: _____

Directions: Use the word bank to label each numbered feature. Individual mission layouts varied by place and time.



WORD BANK

Adobe Walls Bell Tower Cemetery Church Courtyard Gardens Water Systems

LABEL THE DIAGRAM

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

5. _____
6. _____
7. _____

THINK & EXPLAIN

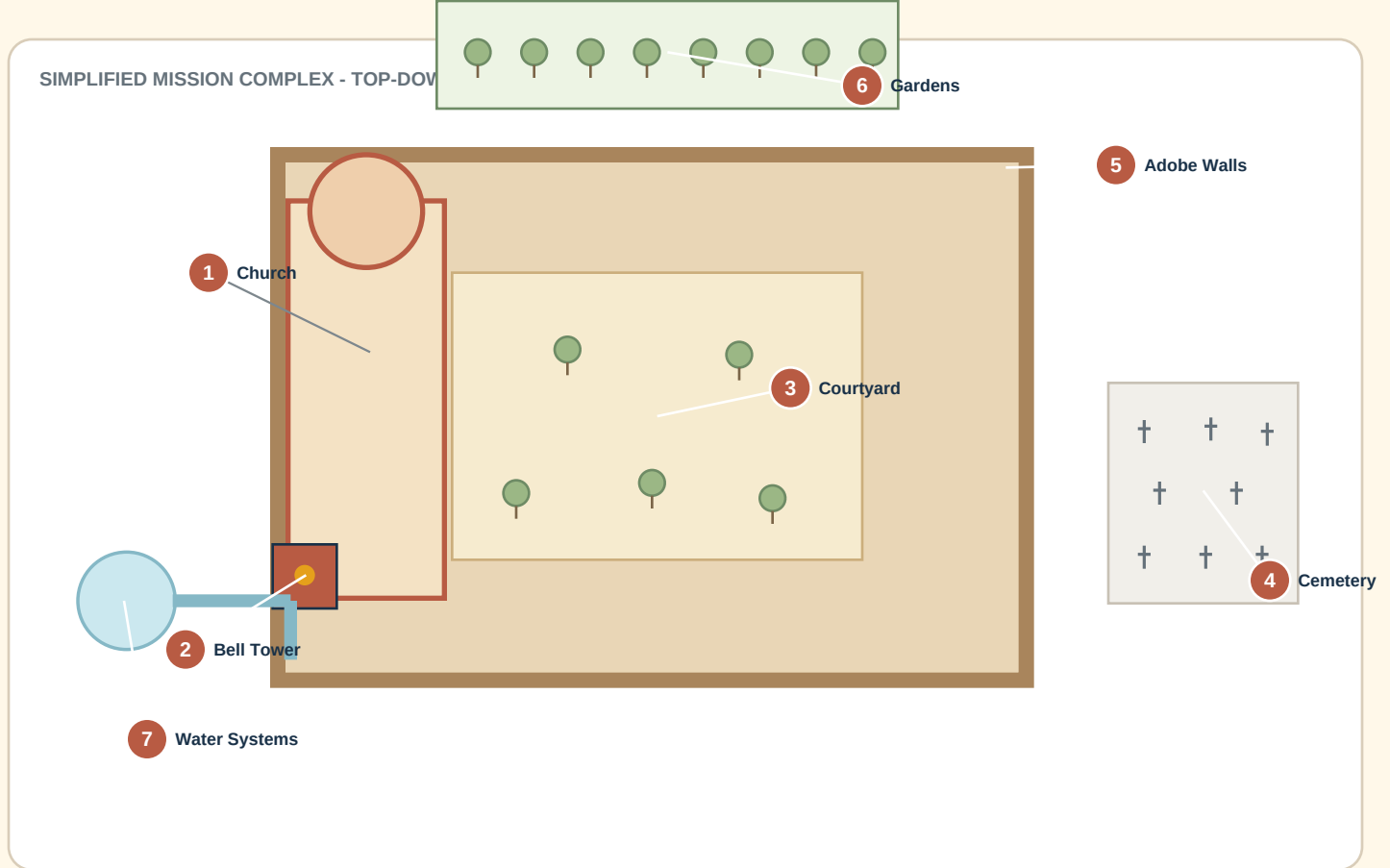
Why were water systems important to mission communities?

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ANSWER KEY

Teacher answer key • simplified California mission-complex features

This diagram is a teaching model, not a reconstruction of one specific mission. Layouts and materials differed among sites.



ANSWER KEY

- | | |
|--------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1 Church | 5 Adobe Walls |
| 2 Bell Tower | 6 Gardens |
| 3 Courtyard | 7 Water Systems (acequias/reservoirs) |
| 4 Cemetery | |

TEACHER NOTE

- Mission complexes often centered on a church and courtyard/quadrangle, with work, residence and storage spaces.
- Adobe was widely used. Water systems could include acequias, reservoirs, fountains and mills.
- California Native people supplied much of the labor that built and sustained missions.
- Architecture lessons should include Native experiences and living cultures.

For classroom use. Features are representative and should be compared with the history of the specific mission being studied.