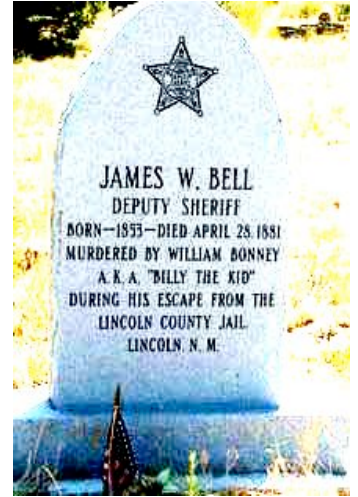


Billy the Kid was an American outlaw in the Wild West. He murdered at least 21 people - one for each year of his life! Films have been made which show him as a popular hero. In reality, Bonney was a vicious murderer and a thief. He died at the age of 21.



By the age of 12, William Bonney is already a gambler and card player, and has knifed a man for insulting his mother. In 1877, after more murderous exploits, he becomes involved in a war between two cattle ranchers. As the leader of one of the gangs he fights one gun battle after another. When this war is over, he returns to cattle thieving and murdering.

Sheriff Pat Garret is determined to catch Bonney, who is now known as Billy the Kid. Billy is captured in 1881 and sentenced to hang, but he manages to escape. Two months later, Garret finds him again and shoots him dead.



Tombstone of a victim of Billy

outlaw: criminal
to gamble: speculate
insult: offend
exploit: adventure
involve: include

cattle: cows
rancher: cattle farmer
thief / thieves: person who steals
determined: decide
to capture: catch

to sentence: trial
to escape: getaway
at least: at best
vicious: wicked
kid: child

Delete the odd ones out:

What Billy the Kid liked:

his rifle his knife his gun ~~his church~~ his horse

What Billy often did:

drinking thieving gambling shooting gardening

What you can find on a ranch:

cattle horses snowboard whisky cowboys

What goes with the Wild West:

rodeo gambling whisky computer cows

Kind of sentences in the Wild West:

going to jail being hanged french fries torture pole tarring and feathering

States or territories of the Wild West:

Menorca Texas Arizona New Mexico Colorado

Weapons (arms) of the Wild West:

colt bow and arrow army tank rifle bowie knife

Law enforcement in the Wild West:

sheriff marshal ranger broncos 7th cavalry

Animals of the Wild West:

mustang coyote shark buffalo rattlesnake

Folks way out West:

desperados gringos cowhands Bedouins Apaches