Texas and the Mexican War
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Texas

1. 1821 – The first settlers from the ___________________________ arrive from ______________________ looking for ________________________________.
2. At this time, Texas was a part of _______________________.
3. Within ten years, there were more ______________________________ in Texas than ________________________________.
4. ______________________ made laws to stop settled from coming to Texas, but they were unsuccessful.

Differences

5. What happened when Americans arrived in Mexico?
   ________________________________
   ________________________________
6. Americans brought ____________________ to Mexico, even though ____________________ was illegal in Mexico.
7. Because of their many differences, the ______________________ wanted to ________________________________.

The Fight Begins

8. What were the Mexicans who wanted to break away from Mexico called?
9. Tejanos did not like the laws that were made by ________________, the President of Mexico.

10. ________________ and ________________ rebelled against Mexico in hopes of gaining their ________________.

Capture the Alamo

11. Early 1836 - ________________ led a large army to ________________ to put a stop to the Texan and Tejano rebellion.

12. What was the name of the old mission that was used as an old fort that Santa Anna wanted to capture?

13. Less than ________________ Texans and Tejanos defended the fort. Most of them were killed during the ________________.

Sam Houston

14. What did Texan leaders vote to do?

15. ________________ was chosen to lead the army in the fight against ________________.
16. Houston led a surprise attack on __________________________ army at ______________________, which lead to the defeat of Mexican troops and capturing of Santa Anna.

17. What did Santa Anna agree to do after he was captured?
   ______________________________________________________
   ______________________________________________________

Texas Becomes a State

18. September 1836 – The Republic of Texas held its first election.
   • Sam Houston was elected _______________________.
   • ____________________ was made legal.
   • Texas voted to join the _______________________.

19. Some were in favor of ___________________________, or joining, with the United States.

20. Others, such as ________________________________, the U.S. President, were not.

21. What did Martin Van Buren fear?
   ______________________________________________________
   ______________________________________________________
   ______________________________________________________

Manifest Destiny

22. What did supporters of the annexation argue?
23. Many believed that the ________________ _
_________________ should spread across the entire _
_________________ continent.
24. This belief was called ____________________
____________________________.
25. Supporters of manifest destiny thought that ________________ should become part of the United States.
26. 1845- James Polk became ____________________ and ____________________ voted to annex Texas.

War with Mexico

27. President Polk and the Mexican government could not agree on where the __________
between __________ and __________ should be, the Nueces River or the Rio Grande.
28. ________________ sent soldiers into Texas and asked ________________ to ____________________.
29. May 13, 1846 – Congress declared war on ____________________.

Mexican War
30. The Mexican War was fought on three __________, which is where fighting takes place in a war.
   - First front – ________________________________
   - Second front – ________________________________
   - Third front – ________________________________

31. September 1847 - U.S. soldiers invaded by _______ and captured __________________________.

Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo

32. What happened after Mexico City was captured? ______________________________________________

33. 1848 – United States and Mexico signed the ________________________________.

34. Mexico agreed to the ______________________________ of Texas and set the ______________________________ as the border between ______________________________ and ______________________________.

Mexican Cession

35. What was the large area of land that Mexico was forced to give up called? ______________________________

36. How much did the United States pay for the Mexican Cession? ______________________________

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37. Mexicans living on his land were allowed to become ________________________________.
38. __________________ protected them from losing their ____________, but many lost their land because these laws were often ignored.

This Is Important Because...

39. __________________________________________
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   **He agreed to give Texas its independence.**

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   He feared that Mexico would start a war with the United States because Mexico wanted Texas back and he did not want to add a new state that allowed slavery.

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39. Texas, California, and nearly all of the American Southwest became part of the United States after the Mexican War.