

7th Grade Texas History Syllabus

Academic Year 2026-2027

Course Overview

This course will explore the rich history of Texas, from its earliest inhabitants to modern times. Students will learn about significant events, people, and cultural developments that have shaped the state. Through readings, discussions, projects, and field studies, learners will gain a greater understanding of Texas's role in the United States and the world.

Course Objectives

- Understand the geography of Texas and its impact on historical development.
- Analyze the major eras in Texas history, including Native American cultures, European exploration, colonization, revolution, and statehood.
- Examine the causes and effects of the Texas Revolution and the formation of the Republic of Texas.
- Study Texas's role in the Civil War and Reconstruction.
- Explore economic, social, and political changes in Texas through the 20th and 21st centuries.
- Develop research, critical thinking, and communication skills through historical inquiry.

Units of Study

1. **Geography and Early Peoples:** Maps, regions, and Native American tribes of Texas
2. **Exploration and Colonization:** Spanish, French, and Mexican influences
3. **Texas Revolution and Republic:** Key events, figures, and documents
4. **Statehood and Civil War:** Annexation, secession, and Reconstruction
5. **Growth and Change:** Cattle, oil, industry, and urbanization
6. **Modern Texas:** Government, culture, and current events

Assessment

- Quizzes and Tests

- Research Projects and Presentations
- Class Participation and Discussions
- Homework and Assignments

Materials Needed

- Notebook or binder
- Textbook: *Texas History* (provided)
- Pencils, pens, and colored pencils
- Access to online resources

Classroom Expectations

- Be respectful to classmates and teachers.
- Complete assignments on time.
- Participate actively in class discussions.
- Follow all school rules and policies.

Contact Information

If you have questions or need help, please contact the teacher via email or during office hours.