# 7th Grade Texas History SyllabusTexasoutline2

## Welcome to 7th grade Texas History. This course is a study of Texas from the period of discovery and exploration to present day.

**Units Covered**

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| 1st Semester: | 2nd Semester |
| 1st Six Weeks | 4th Six Weeks |
| Unit 1: Think like a Historian | Unit 6: Republic of Texas and Early Statehood |
| Unit 2: Natural Texas and Its People | Unit 7: Texas during the Civil War and Reconstruction |
| Unit 3: Exploration and Early Colonization of Texas | 5th Six Weeks |
| 2nd Six Weeks | Unit 8: Cotton, Cattle, Railroads, and closing the Texas FrontierUnit 9: Modernizing Texas in An Age of Oil |
| Unit 3: Exploration and Early Colonization of Texas | Unit 10: Texas during the Great Depression and WWII |
| Unit 4: Mexican Colonization and the Empresario System | 6th Six Weeks |
| 3rd Six Weeks | Unit 10: Texas during the Great Depression and WWIIUnit 11: Civil Rights and Conservatism Bring Changes |
| Unit 5: Unrest and Revolt in Texas | Unit 12: Contemporary Texas |
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You will take part in many traditional learning experiences, such as note taking, using textbooks, tests and quizzes. You will also participate in many non-traditional, hands-on experiences, in which you will create various products as a way of showcasing your learning.

**Texas History Objective:**

In Grade 7, students study the history of Texas from early times to the present. Content is presented with more depth and breadth than in Grade 4. Students examine the full scope of Texas history, including the cultures of Native Americans living in Texas prior to European exploration and the eras of mission-building, colonization, revolution, republic, and statehood. The focus in each era is on key individuals, events, and issues and their impact. Students identify regions of Texas and the distribution of population within and among the regions and explain the factors that caused Texas to change from an agrarian to an urban society. Students describe the structure and functions of municipal, county, and state governments, explain the influence of the U.S. Constitution on the Texas Constitution, and examine the rights and responsibilities of Texas citizens. Students use primary and secondary sources to examine the rich and diverse cultural background of Texas as they identify the different racial and ethnic groups that settled in Texas to build a republic and then a state. Students analyze the impact of scientific discoveries and technological innovations such as barbed wire and the oil and gas industries on the development of Texas. Students use primary and secondary sources to acquire information about Texas.

**Textbook:**

Your child will be using a classroom set of McGraw Hills: Texas History. They will also be getting a digital copy of the book as well they can access from their device at home on computer, tablet, phone, etc. We will use the book as well as other items in class as we work through our learning.

**Interactive Student Folders (ISF)**

You will be keeping an Interactive Student Folders in Texas History throughout the school year. All notes and many assignments will be completed in this notebook. You will use a spiral notebook for this purpose. We will use this notebook each class day for one reason or another and notebooks are kept in the classroom until the end of the school year. ***If folders are lost they will need to be replaced, along with all notes and assignments for that current semester. It is essential to take great care of your ISF. I will be taking a test grade over the notes and assignments that are in your ISF at the end of each unit, so organization and neatness are a must.***

**Grading Policy**

The grading policy is as follows: Major Grades 50%, Daily 50%

* Major Grades: formal tests, projects, & interactive notebook unit grade
* Daily Grades: quizzes, homework assignments, warm-up checks

**Late Work Policy**

The late work policy is as follows

* 1 Day Late maximum grade of 70%
* 2 Days Late maximum grade of 50%
* 3 Days Late will not be accepted, unless student has a plan in place

**Supplies Needed for Texas History** (Students are expected to have these supplies daily)

* 3 prong folder/ with pocket sleeves
* Wide ruled loose leaf notebook paper.
* Black, Blue Pens (History can not be erased)
* Pencils

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