

Intense Excitement!
MISSISSIPPI SECED
STAR OF THE WEST BOMBARD
SHE PUTS BACK
Charleston Harbor Blockade
Exciting Movements in New Orleans
LOUISIANA FORTS PROBABLY TAKEN
The President's Special Message
War Apparently Inevitable

Unit 8: *Civil War*

Lesson 2: *How do we know what we know?*

Warm-up:

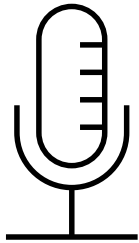
Follow the directions to complete your warm-up



- Read the primary source excerpt on your warm-up.
- What can you learn about this era based on the excerpt?
- Share with a partner.



Share with the class



One thing I can learn about this era based on the primary source excerpt is _____

Essential Question



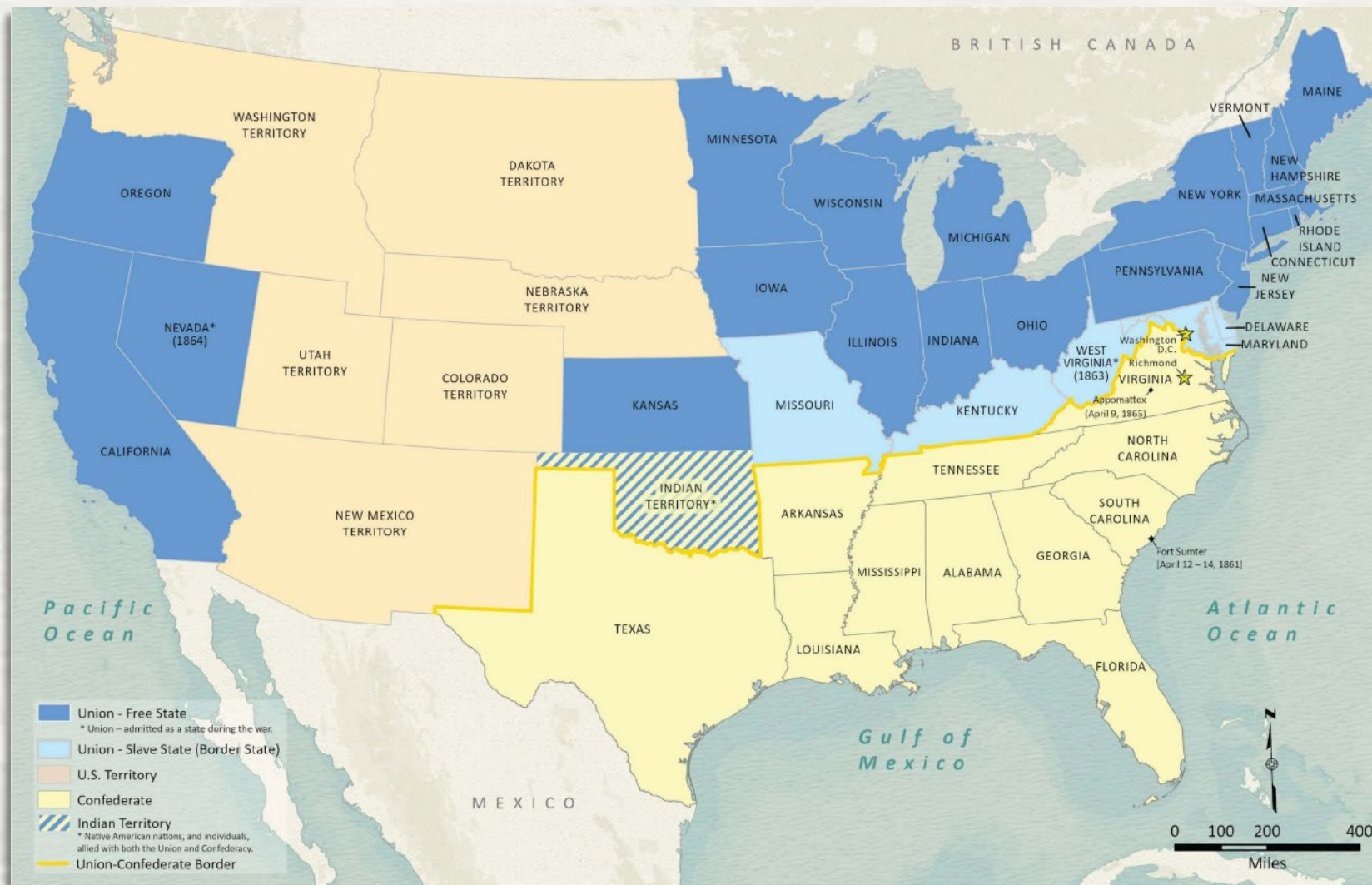
What were the different points of view on significant events of the Civil War era, and how were those events represented and discussed in a variety of primary source excerpts from the era?

In today's lesson...

- 1. We will** examine various topics and different points of view related to significant issues and events of the Civil War era by analyzing a variety of primary source materials.
- 2. I will** summarize the main idea of each primary source material and explain what the material can tell me about the Civil War era of Texas history.



Part I: Texas Leaves the United States



Texas General Land Office

OLD SAN JACINTO.

We have been permitted to extract from a letter written by Gen. Houston to an old friend:

'You say it is reported that I am for secession. Ask those who say so to point to a word of mine authorizing the statement. I declared myself in favor of peace, of harmony, of compromise, in order to obtain a fair expression of the will of the people. Dangerous as may be the precedent inaugurated by the Convention, before the majesty of the law, which recognizes its power to submit the question of Disunion to the people, I yield in the same spirit that actuated Andrew Jackson, in paying the fine arbitrarily imposed upon him at New Orleans. I am determined that those who would overthrow law shall learn no lesson from me.

I still believe that secession will bring ruin and civil war. Yet if the people will it, I can bear it with them. I would

Part II: Primary Source Analysis

Primary Source A Sam Houston's Thoughts on Secession

Tri-Weekly Alamo Express, Feb. 18, 1861

The Portal to Texas History

Exit Ticket:

Follow the directions to complete your exit ticket



- Read the different statements in the graphic organizer.



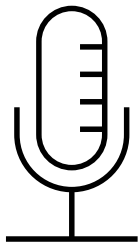
- Choose FOUR statements that are true for Texas during the Civil War era.



- Share with a partner.



Share with the class



One statement that is true of
the Civil War era of Texas
history is that _____