

Answer Key: The Big Picture

Warm-up

Statements less likely to be true for Texas in this unit are crossed out.

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| The annexation of Texas caused tension between the United States and Mexico. | Texans felt unsatisfied as an American state and worked to rejoin Mexico. | A lot of cotton planters from the American south migrated into Texas. |
| The new state government of Texas worked to abolish slavery to focus instead on industry. | The population of Texas began to grow rapidly as Americans migrated into the new state. | Conflicts between Anglos and Texas Indians increased as Texas Anglos migrated west. |
| Texas' economy and population grew rapidly as a new state in the Union. | Disputes about the southern border of Texas caused tension between the U.S. and Mexico. | Texas worked to establish a permanent commercial treaty with Great Britain. |

Lesson

PART I: ANALYZE AN IMAGE

- Responses will vary

PART II: ESSENTIAL IDEAS READING PASSAGE

Grade Level and Foundations

- First Cause and Effect Chart:

| Cause | Effect |
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| a) Texas faced problems with debt, commercial partnerships, and instability as a country. | The Republic of Texas was officially annexed to the U.S. in 1845. |

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- Second Cause and Effect Chart:

| Cause | Effect |
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| a) The U.S. and Mexico did not agree on the border between Texas and Mexico. | The U.S.-Mexico War broke out in 1846. It ended in 1848. |
| The United States won the U.S.-Mexico War. The Treaty of Guadalupe-Hidalgo ended the war and set the terms for peace. | b) The U.S. gained Mexico's lands in the southwest. |

- Third Cause and Effect Chart

| Cause | Effect |
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| Most northerners opposed the expansion of slavery, while most southerners supported it. | a) Northerners and southerners argued over whether slavery should expand into the new western lands. |

- Fourth Cause and Effect Chart

| Cause | Effect |
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| After Texas was annexed to the United States in 1845, hundreds of thousands of people started moving into Texas. | b) Most people came from southern states, so Texas became very closely connected to the South. |

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Advanced

| Cause | Effect |
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| The Republic of Texas struggled to establish commercial and diplomatic relationships, faced increasing debt, and was unable to protect its borders from incursions by the Mexican army. | Texas applied three times for annexation to the U.S. Texas's application was accepted the third time, and Texas was annexed to the U.S. in 1845. |
| Mexico and the U.S. argued over ownership of Texas and the borders between Texas and Mexico. | The U.S.-Mexico War broke out and was fought from 1846 to 1848. |
| The United States won the U.S.-Mexico War. The Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo ended the war and set the terms for peace. | The U.S. gained all of Mexico's territories west of Texas including California, Nevada, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico, and parts of Colorado and Wyoming. |
| The Texas population increased significantly after annexation as people mostly from the American South migrated into the new state. | Plantation agriculture cultivating cotton using enslaved labor increased significantly in Texas. |
| As the population of Texas grew, Anglo settlers migrated into the western frontier of Texas. | Conflicts often broke out between Anglos and Indians along the west Texas frontier. |
| <p><i>Write your own cause</i></p> <p><i>Responses will vary</i></p> | <p><i>Explain the effect</i></p> <p><i>Responses will vary</i></p> |

Exit Ticket

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2. A
3. D
4. C