**The U.S.-Mexico War *Foundations***

*Unit 7: Early Statehood*

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| **James Polk** |

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| A photograph portrait of James K. Polk | *Write the correct word(s) from the slide*   * U.S. President 1845 – 1849 * **Goal**: Westward expansion of the U.S. to the Pacific Ocean. * **Why**?   + Better access to profitable markets with Asia   + “**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”** |

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| The Causes of the U.S.-Mexico War  A map of the political boundaries of North America in 1846. The United States territory includes the original borders of Texas. The Republic of Mexico extends north into modern-day California. The majority of the territory of modern-day Texas is shaded and marked "disputed territory" | *Circle the correct word*  *Cross out the incorrect words*   1. Mexico opposed the U.S. ***annexation*** / ***cession / expansion*** of Texas 2. Disputes between the U.S. and Mexico over the southern ***territory*** / ***settlements*** / ***border*** / of Texas |

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| Notable Battles  A map of the procession of battles in northern Mexico as the American troops marched south toward Mexico City. The map shows the location of battles at Palo Alto and Resaca de la Palma along the Rio Grande, as well as battles in Monterrey and Buena Vista. This map zooms in on the area of the battles. It also shows the movement of U.S. troops after they landed in Veracruz and made their way to take Mexico City. | *Circle the correct word*  *Cross out the incorrect words*  *Write the correct word(s)*   * **Battle of Palo Alto**: *(May 1846)* The ***bloodiest*** / ***first*** / ***final*** battle of the war * **Battle of Buena Vista:** *(February 1847)* American General Zachary \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ defeated Santa Anna in one of the largest battles of the war. * **Capture of Mexico City:** *(September 1847)* Leads to the ***beginning*** / ***turning point*** / ***end*** of the war. |

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| The Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo  February 1848  A map of the political borders of North America after the Treaty of Guadalupe-Hidalgo showing the Mexican Cession including all the territory from Texas west to California now belonging to the U.S. | *Circle the correct word*  *Cross out the incorrect words*  *Write the correct word(s)*   * Mexico ***annexed*** / ***ceded*** / ***cession*** all its land from Texas west to California. * The U.S. paid Mexico $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ million for the land. * Mexican citizens in the ceded territory could automatically become U.S. ***citizens*** / ***immigrants*** / ***rich*** |

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| Texas & the U.S.-Mexico War  **A photograph of John Coffee Hays seated in a chair.** | *Circle the correct word*  *Cross out the incorrect words*  *Write the correct word(s)*   * Approximately ***10,000*** / ***8,000*** / ***18,000*** Texans fought in the U.S.-Mexico War. * The Texas \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ fought alongside the regular U.S. Army. * New army ***settlements*** / ***forts*** / ***missions*** were built in Texas during the war. |

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| Significance of the U.S.-Mexico War  A map of the political borders of the U.S. in 1848 after the U.S. - Mexico War. The U.S. extended fully to the west coast with all lands west of Texas as far north as modern-day California labeled "California." The western border of Texas extends into present-day New Mexico and a small portion extends as far north as present-day Nebraska. | *Circle the correct word*  *Cross out the incorrect words*  *Write the correct word(s)*   * The ***Nueces River*** / ***Red River*** / ***Rio Grande*** is solidified as Texas’ southern border. * The U.S. now extends fully to the ***south*** / ***west*** / ***east*** coast. * The new lands of the Mexican Cession start new arguments about the expansion of slavery in the U.S. |