

Growing Tension in Texas Extension Grade Level

A Primary Source Activity

Unit 4: The Mexican National Era

Date:

Period:

Document A

1) Who is the author?	2) Who is the intended	3) In 6 words or less, what
	audience?	is the document's topic?

	A) Mexico's position in Texas is weak and there are many problems
	related to the Anglo colonists.
	B) The Centralist revolt against the government resulted in the abolition of the Federalist Constitution of 1824.
4) Which statement best summarizes the	C) Austin opposes the actions of the rebels in east Texas and believes they are bad for Texas.
document's main idea?	D) Anglos claim they fought the Mexican military at a fort to protest the Central take-over of the government.
	E) Anglos in Texas are angry that their requests for statehood were rejected, and Austin was imprisoned.
	F) This law prevents any more Americans from immigrating to Texas.

5) What is the general tone of the document? (circle one)	Positive	Negative	Neutral
6) Identify and list three to five key words or phrases from the passage that support your answer to question number 5.			it support

7) Imagine you want to write about this document in the newspaper. Which statement to the right provides the best headline for this document?	 a) Austin Supports Anglo Rebellion! b) Austin Seeks Advice About Mexican Actions. c) Austin Urges Mexico to Grant Texas Independence. d) Austin Opposes East Texas Rebellion.





Document B			
1) Who is the author?	2) Who is the intended audience?	3) In 6 words or less, what is the document's topic?	
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main idea?	to protest the Central take-over of the government.
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	statehood were rejected, and Austin was imprisoned.
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5) What is the general tone of the document?
(circle one)

Positive

Negative

Neutral

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	your answer to question number 5.





Document C			
1) Who is the author?	2) Who is the intended audience?	3) In 6 words or less, what is the document's topic?	
	A) Mexico's position in Texas is weak and there are man		

	problems related to the Anglo colonists.
	B) The Centralist revolt against the government resulted
	in the abolition of the Federalist Constitution of 1824.
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main idea?	to protest the Central take-over of the government.
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	statehood were rejected, and Austin was imprisoned.
	F) This law prevents any more Americans from
	immigrating to Texas.

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	A) Mexico Declares All Current American
7) Imagine you want to write	Contracts Cancelled!
about this document in the	B) Mexico Bans American Immigration to
newspaper. Which statement	Texas!
to the right provides the best	C) Mexican Laws Affect Anglo Taxes.
headline for this document?	D) The State Congress of Coahuila y Tejas
	End Immigration!





Document D		
1) Who is the author?	2) Who is the intended audience?	3) In 6 words or less, what is the document's topic?

4) Which statement best summarizes the document's main idea?	 A) Mexico's position in Texas is weak and there are many problems related to the Anglo colonists. B) The Centralist revolt against the government resulted in the abolition of the Federalist Constitution of 1824. C) Austin opposes the actions of the rebels in east Texas and believes they are bad for Texas. D) Anglos claim they fought the Mexican military at a fort to protest the Central take-over of the government. E) Anglos in Texas are angry that their requests for statehood were rejected, and Austin was imprisoned. F) This law prevents any more Americans from immigrating to Texas.
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Neutral

Negative

6) Identify and list three to five key words or phrases from the passage that support your answer to question number 5.

7) Imagine you want to write about this document in the newspaper. Which statement to the right provides the best headline for this document?	 A) Mexico Sends its Military to Enforce Laws. B) Anglo Texans Angry at Controlling National Government! C) Anglo Texans Oppose the Federal Constitution of 1824 D) Anglo Texans Join Centralist Rebellion!





Document E		
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	A) Mexico's position in Te problems related to th	exas is weak and there are many ne Anglo colonists.

	B) The Centralist revolt against the government resulted in the abolition of the Federalist Constitution of 1824.
4) Which statement best summarizes	C) Austin opposes the actions of the rebels in east Texas and believes they are bad for Texas.
the document's main idea?	 D) Anglos claim they fought the Mexican military at a fort to protest the Central take-over of the government. E) Anglos in Texas are angry that their requests for statehood were rejected, and Austin was imprisoned. F) This law prevents any more Americans from immigrating to Texas.

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6) Identify and list three to five key words or phrases from the passage that support your answer to question number 5.

7) Imagine you want to write about this document in the newspaper. Which statement to the right provides the best headline for this document?	 A) Centralists Took Over the Government! B) Statehood Denied! Austin Imprisoned! C) Texas Anglos Oppose the Coahuila Congress! D) Anglos and Tejanos Demand the
	Government Reinstates Constitution!
headline for this document?	D) Anglos and Tejanos Demand the
	Government Reinstates Constitution!

