

The Texas Revolution Unit Vocabulary

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| • ad-interim: temporary | David Burnet: selected as president of Texas' | Battle of the Alamo: resulted in the capture by |
| • allegiance: loyalty | temporary government | resulted in the capture by Mexican troops of a Texas- held mission in San Antonio |
| • customs duties: taxes paid on goods brought into the U.S. | George Childress: wrote the Texas Declaration of Independence, which was modeled after the U.S. | in 1836; "Remember the Alamo! Remember Goliad!" (Texas Battle Cry) |
| • delegate: a person chosen to speak for a group | Declaration of Independence | Battle of Gonzales: the first armed conflict of the Texas |
| • provisional government: temporary government | • James Bowie: Colonel of the Battle of the Alamo; | Revolution |
| republic: a type of government with elected representatives | ordered by Sam Houston to burn down the Alamo but decided to stay and defend it • James Fannin: commander | Battle of San Jacinto (1836): the final battle of the Texas Revolution; resulted in the defeat of the Mexican army and Texan |
| • revolution: the usually violent attempt of many people to end rule by one government in order to create a new one | at Goliad; did not follow Houston's orders to retreat; was captured by General Urrea; he and his 300 men were killed | "Come and Take It": the motto adopted by the Texian rebels, when on the morning of October 2, 1835, |
| • siege: when enemy forces surround an area cutting off essential supplies, with the goal of forcing those inside to surrender | • Juan Seguín: although a Mexican-born citizen, this individual supported Texas' right to influence Mexican law, and commanded a unit at the Battle of San Jacinto | Lieutenant Castañeda requested a cannon, given to colonists in 1831, be returned to the Mexican military |
| • states' rights: powers that are reserved to state governments instead of the federal government | • Lorenzo de Zavala: Mexican who helped draft the Constitution of 1836, served as Texas ad-interim | • Constitutional Convention of 1836: wrote the Texas Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the Republic of Texas, organized |
| • tariff: a tax on imported | | the ad-interim government, |





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| goods | vice president | and named Sam Houston |
| • treason: betrayal of one's | • Sam Houston: commander | commander in chief of the military forces of the |
| country | of the Texas army at the | Republic |
| , | Battle of San Jacinto; later | Republic |
| • treaty: a formal agreement | elected president of the | • Fredonian Rebellion: near |
| between two or more | Republic of Texas | Nacogdoches in 1826, the |
| countries | | Fredonian Republic claimed |
| | William B. Travis: | that Texas was no longer |
| | Lieutenant at the Alamo | under Mexican control, |
| | given command by Bowie as | Benjamin Edwards led a small |
| | he died; believed holding Alamo was vital to Texas' fate | group into Nacogdoches, |
| | Alamo was vital to Texas Tate | claiming this city as the |
| | | capital of Fredonia; Fredonians gave up when |
| | | they heard of Mexican troops |
| | | coming in 1827 |
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| | | ● Law of April 6th, 1830: |
| | | After Mier y Teran wrote his |
| | | report that Anglo Texans |
| | | could not be trusted, this law |
| | | closed the frontier of Texas |
| | | to any further Anglo |
| | | settlement |
| | | • March 2, 1836: Texas |
| | | Independence Day |
| | | Massacre at Goliad: |
| | execution of Republic o | execution of Republic of |
| | | Texas prisoners and their |
| | | commander, James Fannin, |
| | | by the Mexican Army; |
| | | despite the protests for |
| | | clemency by General José de |
| | | Urrea, the massacre was |
| | | reluctantly carried out under |
| | | orders of the President of |





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| | | Mexico, Antonio Lopez de Santa Anna |
| | | • Mier y Teran Report: a report written by a Mexican official named Mier y Teran; it convinced Mexico they needed better control of Texas |
| | | • Treaty of Velasco: formal agreement signed by Santa Anna giving Texas independence from Spain, the return of all Texas prisoners, and established the Rio Grande as the borde between Mexico and Texas |
| | | • Turtle Bayou Resolutions resolutions that some Texar wrote to explain the conflict at Anahuac and declare the loyalty to the Constitution of 1824 |
| | | • Washington-on-the-Brazos: located in Washington County, Texas, was founded when Texas was still a part of Mexico, the settlement became the site of the Convention of 1836 and the signing of the Texas Declaration of Independence |

