Lorenzo De Zavala: Empresario, Statesman, and Texas Revolutionary
Seventh Grade Questions

1. Based on the text and election returns in slide 2, what can be said about the respect Texans had for Zavala?

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2. In the 9 December 1835 letter, did Zavala feel involved in the struggle for Texan independence? Why?

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3. What was Zavala’s opinion on an expedition to Matamoras?

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4. Did Zavala accept the committee’s invitation?

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5. Why do you think Anglo Texans sought Zavala’s counsel on political and military matters?

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6. Why did Texans want him to be a part of the new government?

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7. What reasons did Zavala list for tendering his resignation?

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8. Why was Zavala unable to preside as vice-president over the Texas Congress in 1836?

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9. Who was president of the Republic of Texas?

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10. What is the reason Texans gave for taking up arms?

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11. Does the *Declaracion de Pueblo de Tejas* list conditions whereby Texans would accept Mexican governance?

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12. What were the conditions?

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13. According to the *Declaracion de Pueblo de Tejas*, what was Texas obligated to do?

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14. Was this important? If so, why?

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15. Based on the letter Zavala wrote to Santa Anna in slide 15, would you consider them friends? Why or why not?

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16. Why did Santa Anna believe Zavala was behind the editorial article which attacked him in his letter dated 7 October 1829?

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17. To what cause did Santa Anna claim his work was directed?

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18. In his 7 October 1829 letter to Zavala, what does Santa Anna claim he is a lover of?

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19. What did Santa Anna suggest Zavala should do as a ministry official? Why?

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20. How do the black and white drawings of Lorenzo de Zavala compare to the oil painting? Why would he be portrayed so differently?

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