**End-of-Year Exam Study Guide – Texas History**

1. What country was Alonso Alvarez de Pineda from? Why do we remember his exploration in Texas history? (Hint: He was the first person to…)
2. What country was Alvar Nunez Cabeza de Vaca from? Why do we remember his exploration in Texas history? (Hint: Think of his writings!)
3. Why did the Spanish Conquistadors come to the Americas? Why did they end up leaving?
4. What is the Columbian Exchange? Describe at least one **positive** effect and one **negative** effect of European exploration in Texas.
5. The Spanish lost interest in Texas after they first explored it during the 1500s. However, the Spanish returned in the 1700s to build missions. What happened in Texas during the 1600s that made the Spanish return?
6. The Battle of Gonzales was the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ battle of the Texas \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. What was the outcome of this battle?

***“The enemy has demanded a surrender at discretion, otherwise, the garrison are to be put to the sword, if the fort is taken - I have answered the demand with a cannon shot, & our flag still waves proudly from the walls - I shall never surrender or retreat… Victory or Death.”***

1. Who wrote these words? At what battle did he write this letter?
2. Describe the Siege of the Alamo (who fought, who were the leaders, where did it take place, what was the outcome, etc.).
3. What important document was written on March 2 at the Constitutional Convention of 1836 in Washington-on-the-Brazos? What did the document say?
4. During the Texas Revolution, why did Texans “Remember Goliad?”
5. The Battle of San Jacinto was the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ battle of the Texas \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. What was the outcome of this battle? (Hint: Include the Treaty of Velasco!)
6. What struggles did the people and the government of the Republic of Texas face?
7. Why do we remember the year 1845 (and, officially, 1846) in Texas history?
8. Why did the US-Mexican War (Mexican-American War) begin in 1846? List at least 3 reasons.
9. What were the terms of the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo that ended the US-Mexican War (Mexican-American War) in 1848?
10. What is manifest destiny?
11. Describe at least two **positive** and two **negative** effects of westward expansion.
12. What immigrant groups moved to Texas during Westward Expansion? In what parts of Texas did they settle?
13. What were the terms of the Compromise of 1850? Why was the Compromise necessary?
14. What is sectionalism? How was the United States divided prior to the Civil War?
15. Explain how the issue of *states’ rights* led to the Civil War.
16. Why did the United States impose a tariff on the South in the pre-Civil War era?
17. How did slavery lead to the Civil War?
18. How did the Civil War and Reconstruction affect the North and the South politically?
19. How did the Civil War and Reconstruction affect the North and the South economically?
20. How did the Civil War and Reconstruction affect the North and the South socially?
21. How did the Galveston Hurricane of 1900 impact Texans? **(p. 458-459)**
22. What was the Dust Bowl? When did it occur? How did it impact Texans? **(p. 501-502)**
23. What do James L. Farmer Jr., Hector P. Garcia, Oveta Culp Hobby, Lyndon B. Johnson, the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC), Jane McCallum, and Lulu Belle Madison White have in common? **(Use Chapters 23, 24, and 25 or the Internet)**
24. What are some examples of civic responsibilities? Why is civic participation important? **(p. 662-665, iCivics.org)**