STAAR ALTERNATE 2 INSTRUCTIONAL TERMS FOR SOCIAL STUDIES

For all subject areas, TEA provides a list of specific instructional terms that students will need exposure to during classroom instruction because the terms may be used on the assessment. However, the lists do not reference all of the content a student would be responsible for. Students need to become familiar with these terms as the student is developmentally able to comprehend the content. Students in higher grades need to also know the terms presented in earlier grades.

GRADE 8	

cause, effect	Civil Rights Movement	
capitol	claimed, unclaimed	
citizen, citizenship	clearing land, cleared land	
civic participation, civic duty	conservation, conserving resources	
coast, coastal	crisis	
colony, colonial, colonization	discover, discoveries, innovate, innovations	
community, communities	discrimination, discriminate	
Congress, congressional, congressman, congresswoman, Senate, senator	enlist, enlistment	
Constitution, constitutional, Bill of Rights, preamble	expansion of power, reduction of power	
culture, tradition, heritage	exports, imports	
declare, declaration	gender, genders	

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democracy, democratic process	lobby, lobbyist	
document	manufacture, manufacturing, workforce, corporations	
economic, economy, business	market	
elect, election, vote, voter	minority, minorities	
environment, physical environment, natural environment, adapt to environment	ent, natural material	
expand, expansion	neutral, neutrality	
explore, explorer, exploration, frontier, frontiersman, pioneer	oil, natural gas	

factory, factories

political, political campaign, politician

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region, landscape
religion
represent, representative, representative government
resource, natural resource, lumber
revolution, revolutionary, American Revolution
rights, constitutional rights, civil rights, equal rights, responsibilities
settle, settler, settlement
shelter