## State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR) Performance Level Descriptors U.S. History Studies Since 1877

that assess understanding of U.S. history content. These skills focus on applying critical-thinking skills to interpret, organize, and analyze social studies information from a variety of sources .

Students achieving Masters Grade Level Performance can

- x Evaluate historical perspectives on major events and issues in U.S. history
- x Apply content knowledge in multiple contexts to make historical connections and evaluate change over time
- x Evaluate historical justifications and interpretations through the examination of multiple and varied sources

Students achieving Meets Grade Leve I Performance can

x Apply understanding of U.S. constitutional principles to major events in U.S. history

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