

Oklahoma School Testing Program

Grade 8 U.S. History – Test Blueprint

School Years 2014-2015, 2015-2016, 2016-2017

The blueprint describes the content and structure of an assessment and defines the ideal number of test items by standard and objective of the Oklahoma Academic Standards (OAS).

Standards and Objectives	Ideal Number of Items	Ideal Percentage of Items
1.0 Causes and events of the American Revolution	8	16%
1.1, 1.2 Consequences of the French & Indian War, British Imperial Policies	4	
1.3, 1.4, 1.5 Ideological War, <i>Declaration of Independence's</i> Grievances, Ideals, and Social Contract Selection	4	
2.0 The Revolutionary Era (2.0)	6	12%
2.1, 2.2, 2.3 <i>Articles of Confederation</i> , Motivations & Choices, Key Military & Diplomatic Events	6	
3.0 Developing the American Government System	10	20%
3.1, 3.2, 3.3 Causes for the Constitutional Convention, and Ratification	4 - 6	
3.4, 3.5 Constitutional Principles and the <i>Bill of Rights</i>	4 - 6	
4.0 The Transformation of the United States to the Mid-1800s	16	32%
4.1 Major Events and Issues of Early Presidential Administrations	4 - 6	
4.2, 4.6 Jacksonian Era and Westward Expansion	4 - 6	
4.3, 4.4, 4.5 Sectional Economic Systems, African American Experiences, and Reform Movements/Leaders	4 - 6	
5.0 Causes, Events, and Leadership in the Civil War	10	20%
5.1, 5.2 Causes of the Civil War: 1850s through the 1860 Presidential Election	4 - 6	
5.3, 5.4 Advantages/Disadvantages, Leadership, Major Turning Points of the War	4 - 6	
Total Test	50	100%

(Please note this blueprint does not include items that may be field-tested.)

- A minimum of 6 items is required to report a standard, and a minimum of 4 items is required to report results for an objective.