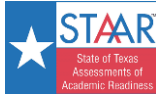



U.S. History STAAR EOC and Social Studies Exit Level TAKS Assessment Comparison

U.S. History STAAR EOC 	Exit Level Social Studies TAKS 
Content tested: Student expectations from U.S. History Since 1877 course only, divided into Readiness and Supporting Standards	Content tested: Student expectations from Grade 8 Social Studies, World Geography, World History, and U.S. History Since Reconstruction
Increase in Rigor	
4 Reporting Categories, Social Studies Skills embedded into questions	5 Objectives, Social Studies Skills separate objective category
68 Multiple Choice Questions	55 Multiple Choice Questions
4 hour time limit	No time limit
Online and paper versions available	Paper only
Part of student graduation requirement	Part of student graduation requirement
Must offer accelerated instruction for any student not passing (Students may not be pulled out of an instructional program more than 10% of instructional days unless the parents have been notified and have provided consent.)	Must offer remediation for any student not passing
Failures must retest	Failures must retest
Administered during a one week EOC testing window in May	Administered on a specific day in late April
Reporting Date: June of year tested	Reporting Dates: May of year tested
Released tests made available for the first three years by TEA and then will follow a three-year release cycle	Released tests made available in three-year release cycle by TEA

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