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	U.S. HISTORY
abolition, abolitionist	act
activist, advocate	afford, affordable
amend, amendment	astronaut, planet, moon, space
body of water	boycott, strike
border, bordered	Chicanos, Chicano Movement
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

democracy, democratic process	lobby, lobbyist
democracy, democratic process	1000,1000,100
document	manufacture, manufacturing, workforce, corporations
economic, economy, business	market
elect, election, vote, voter	minority, minorities
environment, physical environment, natural environment, adapt to environment	natural material
expand, expansion	neutral, neutrality
explore, explorer, exploration, frontier, frontiersman, pioneer	oil, natural gas
factory, factories	political, political campaign, politician
found, founding	preside, presides
free, freedom	property, belongings
free-enterprise system, supply, demand, income, earn, spend, produce, consume, price, cost, service	propose, proposal, ratify, ratification
govern, government, government roles	ration, rationing
governor, mayor, president	register to vote, voter registration
harvest, harvesting, crops	rural, urban
immigrant, immigrate, migrate, migration	scandal
independent, independence, liberty, liberties	suffrage, suffragist, suffrage movement
industry, industrial, industrialization	
invent, invention, inventor	

jury, court, courtroom
justice
laws, rules
leader, leadership, leadership qualities
legislative, executive, judicial branches of government
livestock, raise
local, state, federal government
machine, machinery, device, technology
field of medicine
military, soldier, army, veteran, battle, war, surrender, peace, treaty
movement
native, native language
past, present, future, former, era, eras, decade, century, event
patriot, patriotic
populate, population, population growth, population decline
power, governmental powers
protect, protection
rebel, rebellion
reform, reform movements

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
sign laws, pass laws, enforce laws, veto
slave, enslaved person, slavery
supplies, products, goods
symbol, symbolize
system
system of checks and balances, limiting the power of the government
tax, taxation
territory
trade
transport, transportation
Union, Confederate, Confederacy