Oklahoma School Testing Program Oklahoma Core Curriculum Tests Grade 8 U.S. History: Creating the United States Test Blueprints School Year 2013-2014

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The Test Blueprint reflects the degree to which each standard and objective of the Oklahoma Academic Standards is represented on the test. The overall distribution of field test items on a test form is intended to look as follows:

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 Polices	4	
1.3, 1.4,1.5 Ideological War, <i>Declaration of Independence</i> 's Grievances, Ideals, and Social Contract Selection	4	
2.0 The Revolutionary Era (2.0)	6	12%
2.1, 2.2, 2.3 Articles of Confederation, 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%

- A minimum of 4 items is required to report results for an objective, and a minimum of 6 items is required to
- report a standard. While the actual numbers of items on the test may not match the blueprint exactly, each future test will move toward closer alignment with the ideal blueprint.
- Percentages are approximations and may result in a sum other than 100 due to rounding.