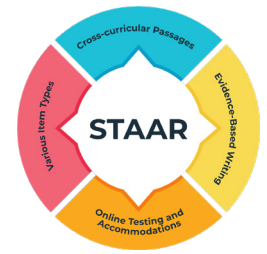# STAAR 2025-2026 • Blueprint Breakdown, English & Spanish
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Reporting Category	Standard #s		# of Questions	# of Points
	Readiness	Supporting		
1. History	16	16	15-17	18-22
2. Geography and Culture	7	10	8-10	9-13
3. Government and Citizenship	9	13	8-10	9-13
4. Economics, Science, Technology, and Society	4	8	5-7	6-9
Total # of Standards on Test:	36	47		
Total % of Standards on Test:	43%	57%		

Questions per Number of Possible Points:

Question Type	# of Questions	% of Questions	# of Points	% of Points
1-Point Questions (multiple choice and non-multiple choice)	31	77.5%	31	63.3%
2-Point Questions (non-multiple choice)	9	22.5%	18	36.7%
Total:	40	100%	49	100%

2025 STAAR SE Analysis — Lowest Five Performance Snapshot for Region 13:

SE #	Student Expectation (SE)	Tested	Weight	% Correct
23D	Analyze the contributions of people of various racial, ethnic, and religious groups to our national identity; and (S)	1	3%	15%
19B	Summarize rights guaranteed in the Bill of Rights; and (R)	1	3%	18%
7D	Analyze the impact of slavery on different sections of the United States; and (R)	1	3%	27%
5D	Explain the origin and development of American political parties; (R)	1	3%	30%
15A	Identify the influence of ideas from historic documents, including the Magna Carta, the English Bill of Rights, the Mayflower Compact, and the Federalist Papers, on the U.S. system of government; (R)	1	3%	30%

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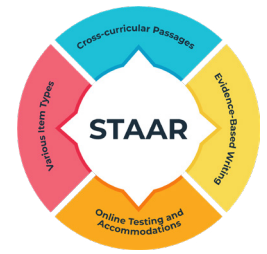
STAAR U.S. History Blueprint:

Reporting Category	Standard #s		# of Questions	# of Points
	Readiness	**Supporting**		
1. History	22	29	28-30	33-38
2. Geography and Culture	7	5	10-12	10-14
3. Government and Citizenship	5	10	8-10	9-13
4. Economics, Science, Technology, and Society	9	10	14-16	16-21
Total # of Standards on Test:	43	54		
Total % of Standards on Test:	44%	56%		

Questions per Number of Possible Points:

Question Type	# of Questions	% of Questions	# of Points	% of Points
1-Point Questions (multiple choice and non-multiple choice)	50	78%	50	64%
2-Point Questions (non-multiple choice)	14	22%	28	36%
Total:	64	100%	78	100%

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SE #	Student Expectation (SE)	Tested	Weight	% Correct
6A	Analyze causes and effects of events and social issues such as immigration, Social Darwinism, the Scopes Trial, eugenics, race relations, nativism, the Red Scare, Prohibition, and the changing role of women; and (R)	1	2%	22%
10C	Describe U.S. involvement in the Middle East such as support for Israel, the Camp David Accords, the Iran Hostage Crisis, Marines in Lebanon, and the Iran-Contra Affair; (R)	1	2%	22%
9H	Explain how George Wallace, Orval Faubus, and the Congressional bloc of southern Democrats sought to maintain the status quo; (S)	1	2%	27%
15A	Describe how the economic impact of the Transcontinental Railroad and the Homestead Act contributed to the close of the frontier in the late 19th century; (S)	1	2%	28%
19B	Evaluate the impact of relationships among the legislative, executive, and judicial branches of government, including Franklin D. Roosevelt's attempt to increase the number of U.S. Supreme Court justices and the presidential election of 2000. (R)	1	2%	30%

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