

Oklahoma School Testing Program
Oklahoma Core Curriculum Tests
Grade 8 U.S. History: Creating the United States
Field Test Blueprint
School Year 2012-2013

The Test Blueprint reflects the degree to which the Oklahoma C³ Social Studies standards and objectives are represented on the test. The overall distribution of field test items on a test form is intended to look as follows:

<i>Oklahoma C³ Standards for the Social Studies Standards and Objectives</i>	Ideal Number of Items for Alignment to OC³S*	Ideal Percentage of Items **
Causes and events of the American Revolution (1.0)	8	16%
Consequences of the French & Indian War, British Imperial Policies (1.1, 1.2)	4	
Ideological War, <i>Declaration of Independence</i> 's Grievances, Ideals, and Social Contract Selection (1.3, 1.4,1.5)	4	
The Revolutionary Era (2.0)	6	12%
<i>Articles of Confederation</i> , Motivations & Choices, Key Military & Diplomatic Events (2.1, 2.2, 2.3)	6	
Developing the American Government System (3.0)	10	20%
Causes for the Constitutional Convention, and Ratification (3.1, 3.2, 3.3)	4-6	
Constitutional Principles and the <i>Bill of Rights</i> (3.4, 3.5)	4-6	
The Transformation of the United States to the Mid-1800s (4.0)	16	32%
Major Events and Issues of Early Presidential Administrations (4.1)	4-6	
Jacksonian Era and Westward Expansion (4.2, 4.6)	4-6	
Sectional Economic Systems, African American Experiences, and Reform Movements/Leaders (4.3,4.4,4.5)	4-6	
Causes, Events, and Leadership in the Civil War (5.0)	10	20%
Causes of the Civil War: 1850s through the 1860 Presidential Election (5.1,5.2)	4-6	
Advantages/Disadvantages, Leadership, Major Turning Points of the War (5.3, 5.4)	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.

** Percents are approximations and may result in a sum other than 100 due to rounding.