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**Mexican American War Guided Reading Questions**

**The Mexican American War Summary**

1. What was The Mexican-American War?
2. Why did the US President Polk believe the U.Ss had the right to take Mexican land?
3. Who won this War?

**Causes of the Mexican American War**

1. Texas gained independence in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. The US declined to annex Texas into the union, mostly cause it would disrupt the balance to add a new \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ state. Mexico warned that annexation would lead to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
2. Why did President Polk instigate(start) a fight with Mexico by moving troops past the Nueces River?

**The Mexican American War Begins**

1. What happened on April 25, 1846?
2. Explain why we consider the Rio Grande Valley so important to the beginning of the Mexican American War?
3. Polk told the U.S. Congress that the *“cup of forbearance has been exhausted, even before Mexico passed the boundary of the United States, invaded our territory, and shed American blood upon American soil.”*

After reading the above quote, which of the following actions will he most likely take place?

1. Discuss a peace treaty b. congress declares war c. decide to war with California

**Mexican – American War: Army Advances into Mexico**

1. ***True or False*** It was difficult for Commodore Stockton & General Taylor to take area North of Rio Grande and Monterrey. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. How would describe General Santa Anna actions during the Mexican American War?
3. What two cities is General Winfield Scott known for capturing? Why was this important? (think)

**TREATY OF GUADALUPE HIDALGO ENDS THE MEXICAN-AMERICAN WAR**

12.What were 3 results

of the signing of the 

Treaty of Guadalupe?