



## Texas History Names and Terms

### The Civil War

1. **Republican Party**- the political party was formed in 1854. Its main focus was to stop the spread of slavery. They also wanted to tax imports to keep the industries in the north growing.
2. **Democratic Party**- Most Texans were Democrats because the party was mostly proslavery and believed that the Federal government did not have the authority to take away slavery.
3. **Sam Houston**— wanted to win the nomination for President under the Constitutional Union Party because he supported the Union and did not want Texas to break away. He lost the nomination.
4. **Abraham Lincoln**- He was elevated president of the United States as a member of the Republican party. Shortly after he was elected South Carolina succeeded from the Union followed by many states including Texas making the Confederate states of America.
5. **Edward Clark**- He was the Lieutenant Governor of Texas. Sam Houston was so Mad at Texas that he refused to take the Oath of office and Edward Clark became the interim Governor of the New Confederate Texas.
6. **Hood's Texas Brigade**- By 1862 32 Companies of Texans had been formed. Most of the men were sent to Virginia.
7. **John B. Magruder**-He was the General and Commander of the Texas Militia for the Majority of the Civil War.
8. **Battle of Sabine Pass**- the United States Navy blockaded the Texas coast beginning in the summer of 1861, while Confederates fortified the major ports. Union interest in Texas and other parts of the Confederacy west of the Mississippi River resulted primarily from the need for cotton by northern textile mills and concern about French intervention in the Mexican civil war. Texas was able to defeat the Union Navy.
9. **Battle at Palmito Ranch**- On May 13, 1865, more than a month after the surrender of Gen. Robert E. Lee, the last land action of the Civil War took place at Palmito Ranch near Brownsville. Early in the war the Union army had briefly occupied Brownsville but had been unable to hold the city. They established a base at Brazos Santiago on Brazos Island from which to blockade the Rio Grande and Brownsville.
10. **Robert E. Lee**- General for the Confederacy called Hood's Texas Brigade "my Texans"