

STAAR Alternate 2 Grade 8 Social Studies Blueprint

Social Studies Skills is not a separate reporting category. These skills will be incorporated into at least 30% of the test questions from reporting categories 1–4 and will be identified along with the content standards.				
Reporting Categories	Number of Standards		Number of Questions	
Reporting Category 1: History	Readiness Standards	16	4 or 8*	
	Supporting Standards	16		
	Total	32		
Reporting Category 2: Geography and Culture	Readiness Standards	7	4 or 8*	
	Supporting Standards	10		
	Total	17		
Reporting Category 3: Government and Citizenship	Readiness Standards	9	4 or 8*	
	Supporting Standards	13		
	Total	22		
Reporting Category 4: Economics, Science, Technology, and Society	Readiness Standards	4	4 or 8*	
	Supporting Standards	8		
	Total	12		
Readiness Standards	Total Number of Standards	36	60%–80%	12–16
Supporting Standards	Total Number of Standards	47	20%–40%	4–8
Total Number of Questions on Test			20	

*Each year one reporting category will consist of eight items and the other three reporting categories will consist of four items.