

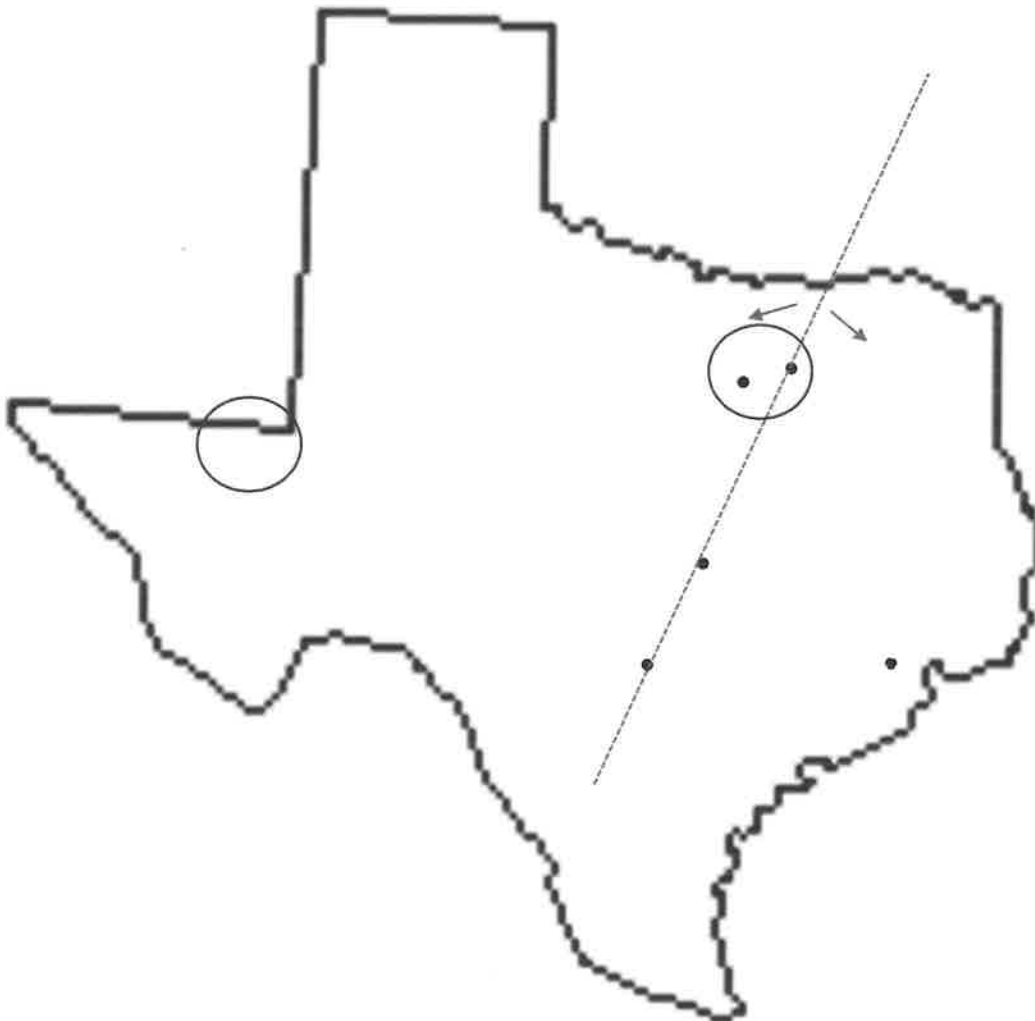
First Week Material

What is the “population hub” (triangle), which cities are incorporated in this, and why is it important?
Draw this out

Where is most of Texas’ population concentrated?

How do we tell East from West TX?

Which side would you say has more people?



List the major cities and their counties:

How many counties are there in total?

What is the smallest county?

Which county is Stephenville located in?

Why do the shapes and sizes of the counties in Texas differ in the East vs. the West?

What is the purpose of counties?

What is significant about politics in Travis County? What city is located here?

What is the largest city in Texas? County? Why is this significant?

What is an MSA?

What's the largest Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA)?

What are the four largest cities in the DFW MSA?

What is the difference?

Why is it important to have a lot of people in one area?

What is the PUF Fund? Why is this important?

When was the PUF established?

What direction do Texas rivers flow?

Why is water a problematic topic in Texas?

Where is most of the oil and gas industry located in Texas?

True or False: Texans are expected to be uneducated.

What does it mean to be a majority minority state? Is Texas one?

What type of political affiliation do rural areas have? Urban?

Name the different groups/ countries that have settled in Texas.

In what year did Texas gain their independence from Mexico?

In what year did Texas join the Union and what happened as a result?

Wednesday Material

1. What is political culture?
2. True or False: Political culture is limited to the political party that the state adheres to.
3. What are the three types of state political cultures?
4. What are some key features of a moralistic political culture?
5. What is an individualistic political culture?
6. What is a traditionalistic political culture?
7. What type of political culture does Texas have?
9. What political party is Texas mainly dominated by, and how does it differ in urban areas?