

Lorenzo de Zavala and José Antonio Navarro: Their Contributions to the Independence of Texas

Standards: TEKS - Social Studies 113.15 & 113.19

Introduction: Two of the most influential leaders of the Texas Revolution were native Mexicans. To understand the importance of the contributions of Lorenzo de Zavala and José Antonio Navarro, you should consider them in the same company as Thomas Jefferson and Patrick Henry. Both men were passionate about the independence of Texas and a federalist form of government, but came from very different backgrounds.

Instructions:

1. Read the TSHA Handbook articles cited below.
2. Answer the questions below.
3. Compare these important men using the attached chart.

★ Lorenzo de Zavala: <https://www.tshaonline.org/handbook/online/articles/fza05>

★ Jose Antonio Navarro: <https://www.tshaonline.org/handbook/online/articles/fna09>



Who was Lorenzo de Zavala?

Where was Lorenzo de Zavala when Santa Anna took power?

What role did Lorenzo de Zavala play in the Texas Revolution?



Who was José Antonio Navarro?

Where was José Antonio Navarro when Santa Anna took power?

What role did José Antonio Navarro play in the Texas Revolution?

Read the statement in the first column and check the box of the man or men to which it applies.	Lorenzo de Zavala	José Antonio Navarro
Native Texan (Tejano)		
Served as an elected official		
Authored the Mexican Constitution of 1824		
Signed the Texas Declaration of Independence		
Spent time in a Mexican prison		
Served as (interim) Vice President of the Republic of Texas		
Accompanied the Santa Fe Expedition		