

Make a Timeline Follow the instructions to complete the activity.

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DATE	

Match the year to the correct description. Check your answers with pages 8–9 of the book.

1.	March 2, 1836	
2.	July 4, 1845	
3.	December 29, 1845	
4.	March 1846	
5.	May 3 to 9, 1846	
6.	May 13, 1846	

General Zachary Taylor leads U.S. troops toward the Rio Grande. The United States claims the area east of the river as its territory.	
Following the Battles of Palo Alto and Resaca de la Palma, Congress declares war on Mexico.	
The Texas Declaration of Independence is signed.	
Texas decides to join the United States. Mexico refuses to recognize this union.	
Mexican forces attack Fort Texas, but the Americans defeat the Mexican army at the Battles of Palo Alto and Resaca de la Palma. The Mexicans are forced to retreat.	
Texas officially joins the United States.	

