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Objectives & TEKS

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Students will . . .

- State a concept
- Give examples and non-examples
- Identify concept characteristics
- Use graphic organizer to make connections/understanding

Teacher Preparation & Materials

- List of Vocabulary Terms (See Vocabulary for PROFILES)
- Crossword Puzzle Student Handout for PROFILE VOCABULARY
- A to Z vocabulary organizer
- Power Dynamics definition When someone is included or excluded, a power dynamic may be at work. Power Dynamics Organizer** (Methods used by different groups of people to influence or control others.) A power play can originate from a variety of sources or reasons: Language, Age, Authority, Size, Looks, Gender, Race, Knowledge, Location, Clothing, Money, Education, Orientation, or Disability.
- Word Storm Organizer
- Timel ine Events Worksheet**

Opening Activity

- The "Still We Rise" Exhibit presents an opportunity to examine how those with power influenced the lives and choices of African Americans in El Paso. Who recalls the profile from the previous lesson?
- Last time, we had some vocabulary from the exhibit. Let's look at our A to Z and identify words that reflect POWER, INFLUENCE, or CONSEQUENCE. (PIC)

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Group Activity

- Remind students about Included/Excluded T chart from previous lesson. Present video about DeAndre Arnold, the teen who was kept out of high school graduation over the length of his hair, made the next step on a state bill that would ban discrimination over dress in schools and work places.
- Discussion: Who has the power? Who/what is being influenced by the power? What are the consequences? (POWER, INFLUENCE, CONSEQUENCES) PIC
- Assign designated events from Exhibit Timeline. In pairs, have students determine the PIC. Groups will report out to the class and complete a Word Storm organizer for selected vocabulary. Share example.

Individual Practice

- Students will use the TIMELINE MUSEUM RESOURCES*** to complete *Still We Rise* Timeline Worksheet.
- Students will write a paragraph after review of decades timeline about the Power Dynamics revealed in the events. (e.g. What happens when a group is made into "the other"?
- Students will continue to: 1) add to A to Z list, 2) complete definitions for vocabulary words, and 3) crossword puzzle worksheet.

Assessment

- Are students able to engage in collaborative discussions with partners on topics, building on others' ideas and expressing their own with clarity?
- Are students able to interpret information presented visually (e.g. timelines) and explain how the information contributes to an understanding of the topic?
- What additional vocabulary is being defined?

(Use the Museum Timeline to fill in the blanks.)

- 1.
 From __1866 _____ to __1901 ____ several _______ Buffalo Soldiers

 Regiments were stationed at ______ Fort Bliss
- 2. What month and year were slaves in Texas freed? _______June 1865
- 3. Approximately how many enslaved were freed in Texas? 250,000
- **4.** In 1924, who attempted to vote in El Paso? ___ Dr. Lawrence Nixon
- 5. What year was he finally able to vote?
- 6. Which president signed Executive Order 9981? Harry Truman
- 7. How many Black men served in World War II?________1.2 million
- 8. What was the consequence of Executive Order 9981?

 Banned segregation in military
- 9. What was a consequence of Brown vs. Board of Education 1954?
 Segregation in schools was unconstitutional
- 10. What city in Texas was the first to integrate its public schools?

 El Paso
- 11. Which president signed the Civil Rights Act of 1964? Lyndon B. Johnson

(Use the Museum Timeline to fill in the blanks.)

The NCAA Basketball championship was won in 1996. UTEP is the **12.** name now. What was the name of the school in 1966? Texas Western Black Klansman graduated from Austin **13.** Ron Stallworth, author of high school in what year? 1971 In 1992, Rodney King 14. was beaten by four white police officers in Los Angeles, California. In 2020. George Floyd was killed. Protests against police brutality 15. were worldwide. Having studied the Timeline - write a short paragraph about what happens when a group is made into "the other". Consider power, influence and consequence. Try to include at least 3 new vocabulary terms.

Timeline Events - Think, Pair Share Activity

Timelines to assign to students (Power Dynamics) with vocabulary word for graphic organizer - WORDSTORM

- 1. 1920s Event: Douglas School Vocabulary: Desegregation
- 2. 1924 Event: NAACP Vocabulary: Petition
- 3. 1943 Event: Race Riot Vocabulary: Segregation
- 4. 1948 Event: Military Vocabulary: Discrimination
- 5. 1955 Event: UTEP Vocabulary: Integration
- 6. 1956 Event: Highway Act Vocabulary: Mandate
- 7. 1962 Event: Integration of Public Spaces Vocabulary: Veto
- 8. 1990s-2000s Event: George Floyd Vocabulary: Brutality

Vocabulary List

- **Activist** vigorous and sometimes aggressive action in pursuing a political or social end
- **Mentor** Somebody, usually older and more experienced, who advises and guides a younger, less experienced person
- Valor courage, especially that shown in war or battle
- **Catalyst** somebody or something that makes a change happen or brings about an event
- Heritage something somebody is born to
- Ostracize exclude from society
- **Persecution** the subjecting of a race or group of people to cruel or unfair treatment, e.g. because of their ethnic origin or religious beliefs
- Valedictorian best student
- **Lawsuit** court case between individuals
- Infiltrate to become part of an organization, or enter a place in order to gather information or influence events
- Prejudice opinion formed beforehand
- Integrated open to everyone, regardless of race, ethnicity, religion, gender, or social class
- **Hostility** a feeling or attitude of hatred or anger toward somebody
- Ethic set of standards
- Bias an unfair preference or dislike of something
- **Artifacts** an object made by a human being, e.g. a tool or ornament, especially one that has archeological or cultural interest
- **Tribulation** hardship or suffering
- Inductee somebody formally placed into a position or office
- **Crusader** a vigorous campaigner for or against something
- White Supremacist a racial view that white people are superior to all people or races

Still We Rise - Timeline Events

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Name:	Date:
Power Dynamics	
Event Year:	
Event (taken from timeline):	
Power (who/what held power?):	
Influence (what/how was the power used?):	
Consequences (what happened as a result of power l	being yielded?):

EXAMPLE

Event Year: 1865

Event (taken from timeline): Texas slaves received freedom

Power (who/what held power?): Federal Government

Influence (what/how was the power used?): No freedom for slaves throughout

the United States

Consequences (what happened as a result of power being yielded?):

- 1- Freed slaves had to determine a course/direction for their lives
- 2- Late announcement to Texas slaves eventually becomes a national holiday called Juneteenth.

Word Storm

To understand a word it is sometimes better to know more than just the dictionary definition. A word map lets you write down different types of information to help you understand what a word means and the many ways in which the word can be used.

What is the wo	rd?	
Write the sente	ence from the source in v	which the word is used:
What are some	words that you think of	f when you hear this word?
What are some	e different forms of the w	vord?
Name 3 people	who would be most like	ely to use the word besides teachers:
1	2	3 <u>.</u>
What are some	other ways of saying the	e same thing?
Write an origin	al sentence using this w	vord. Let your sentence tell what the

11.

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