PROBLEMS OF THE REPUBLIC OF TEXAS 1836 – 1845

State the Problem	What solutions were attempted?	Did the solution work? To what extent?
Financial problems (they had no money!) – the Republic was deeply in debt because of the Revolution and the fact that the money they had previously used was Mexican money – they literally had no money, not even printed currency!	President Houston	
	President Lamar	
Unrest in the Army – the soldiers that had fought in the Revolution wanted and needed to be paid. In addition, they still wanted to fight because some had "joined up" late and never really got into the "action".	President Houston	
	President Lamar	
Indian Problems – Native Americans in East Texas were occupying valuable space that Anglo colonists wanted to use; Native Americans in Central and West Texas were hostile and often raided settlements and killed settlers because the settlers were "taking" the Native Americans land.	President Houston	
	President Lamar	
Location of the Capital – They couldn't decide where to locate the capital city. People wanted a convenient place and a safe place.	President Houston	
	President Lamar	

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Troubles with Mexico – Although Mexico had been defeated and Santa Anna had returned to Mexico promising not to fight in Texas again, Mexico never really "admitted" that Texas was independent and posed a serious potential threat because of her size and power. The only thing that kept Mexico "at bay" was the friendship between Texas and the United States.	President Houston President Lamar	
Getting recognition from other countries – If Texas was going to succeed as an independent country, she needed to get recognition from other countries in Europe and the rest of the world in order to establish trade missions, borrow money and/or get new settlers.	President Houston President Lamar	
Public Education – There were no public schools or provisions for public schooling in Texas. When Texas was a part of Mexico, what schooling there was had been parochial (through the Catholic Church).	President Houston President Lamar	