**The Storm that Swept Mexico**

Directed by Ray Telles

<https://youtu.be/pVWcgOcvgV0>

**Term Bank**

Mexican leaders:

Porfirio Díaz

Francisco Madero

Francisco “Pancho” Villa

Emiliano Zapata

Pascual Orozco

Victoriano Huerta

Venustiano Carranza

Alvaro Obregon

Plutarco Elias Calles, “el jefe maximo”

Lazaro Cardenas

American leaders:

Henry Lane Wilson

President Taft

President Wilson

Terms:

Porfiriato

Cientificio

Haciendas

Maderismo

Zapatistas

Villaistas

Plan of Ayala

Maximato

Geographical location:

Morelos

Chihuahua

Durango

Casas Grandes

Ciudad Juarez

Vera Cruz

Why do you think the filmmaker starts the film out with the following phrases: “land, water, liberty, justice and law”? What is the significance to Mexico?

Describe Mexico post-independence from Spain (19th century).

Describe the problems that Mexico faced at the beginning of the 20th century.

***\*\*Pay attention to the tiger motif throughout the documentary. Make note of it here. What is the tiger a symbol of?\*\****

Who was Portfolio Dias? What was his government like?

What was the difference between the northern and southern states in Mexico?

What kind of relationship did Mexico have with the United States at the time?

How did Madero challenge the Dias regime?

Who was Francisco “Pancho” Villa? Where is he from? Why did he join the revolution?

Who was Emiliano Zapata? Where is he from? Why did he join the revolution?

What are some similarities between Villa and Zapata?

When and where did Madero’s forces begin fighting Dias’ forces?

Why was Madero and Dias cautious about fighting to close to the US-Mexican border?

Who became the new president of Mexico after Dias was forced into exile?

Describe the Madero presidency. (Weakness/problems and any foreign meddling)

Why did the US supply Villa with weapons?

Who was Victoriano Huerta?

Describe Huerta’s rise to power.

How did the US feel about Huerta?

Why did the US invade Vera Cruz, Mexico in 1914?

How did the Huerta presidency ended?

What were the factions that arose after Huerta’s fall?

Why did the US begin to support Carranza instead of Villa?

Why did Carranza choose to sell oil to Germany instead of the US?

What did the Germany propose to the Mexican in the Zimmerman Telegraph (that was intercepted by the British)?

What came out of the constitutional convention of 1917 that Carranza call for? Was it happen with the results?

What happened to Zapata after the constitutional convention of 1917?

What happened to Carranza after Zapata’s death?

Who becomes the new president of Mexico after Carranza (1920)?

What happens to Villa under the Obregon presidency?

Who becomes president after Obregon?

Describes the Calles regime (presidency and the Maximato era).

How did the world economic crisis (Great Depression) affect Mexico?

Describe the Cardenas presidency.