A natural region is an area with a common physical environment.
4 NATURAL REGIONS

Geographers divide the U.S. into 10 major natural regions. Four of them are found in TEXAS!
COASTAL PLAINS

The **largest natural region** is the Coastal Plains. The Coastal Plains has the **longest growing season**.
COASTAL PLAINS

The Gulf of Mexico borders the Gulf Coast Plain sub-region.
Coastal Texas has more rivers. Houston grew due to oil industry.
MOUNTAINS & BASINS

Smallest natural region

Has state’s highest landform

El Paso is the largest city in this region
The Dallas Metroplex includes Dallas, Fort Worth, and their suburbs.

Major metropolitan areas developed because of the availability of jobs and industries.

NORTH CENTRAL PLAINS
Fort Worth is considered part of West Texas because of the economic and historical ties to the cattle industry in that region.
GREAT PLAINS

The Great Plains are located between the Mountains and Basins and the North Central Plains.

Both the Great Plains and the Gulf Coastal Plains have plains.
GREAT PLAINS

The High Plains sub-region extends into the Panhandle.

The Edwards Plateau contains the Edwards Aquifer.
Austin is the Capitol!  Houston is on the Gulf
Dallas is in North Central Plains

Red River divides Texas and Oklahoma

MAJOR CITIES OF TEXAS
GOOD LUCK ON YOUR REGIONS OF TEXAS TEST!