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## Cracking the Code: Understanding Taxes in Texas

### Open-Ended Response Questions

1. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of Texas' tax structure, including its reliance on sales tax and property tax. How does this system affect individuals and businesses in the state?
2. Imagine you are a city council member in a Texas city. Describe how you would allocate tax revenue to improve public services and infrastructure in your community. What priorities would you consider?
3. Research and explain a specific program or service funded by Texas' tax revenue, such as public education or transportation projects. Discuss the impact of this funding on the state and its residents.
4. Consider the potential challenges that Texas may face in the future regarding its tax structure and revenue allocation. How can the state address these challenges to ensure financial sustainability?

