Mexican-American War DBQ Questions

Analyze the attached documents and the information provided by answering the following questions.

Map of Territorial Growth of the United States & Table of Territorial Growth of the United States

1. Complete the table below by identifying which areas of land the United States purchased, bargained for or battled for as it expanded (include the date for each event):

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2. In which decade did the United States increase in land area the most?

3. What area of land did the United States add as a result of the Mexican-American War?

4. What river did Texas and the US believe was the proper border between Mexico and Texas?

Document A:

5. How does John O’Sullivan feel about the United States annexing Texas?

6. In your own words, what does O’Sullivan mean when he says it is “our manifest destiny to overspread the continent allotted by Providence”?

Document B:

7. Whose point of view is held by the author of this document?

8. How did the Mexican government feel about the annexation of Texas by the United States?
9. What terms were agreed upon by the Treaty of Guadalupe-Hidalgo?

10. What territory did Mexico cede to the United States as a result of the Mexican-American War? How much did the U.S. pay for this territory?

11. Which river marked the border according to Mexico?

12. What is significant about the Arkansas River?

Document D:

13. What issues did the Compromise of 1850 attempt to resolve?
   
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14. Which future U.S. states made up the territory that Texas ceded as a result of the Compromise of 1850?