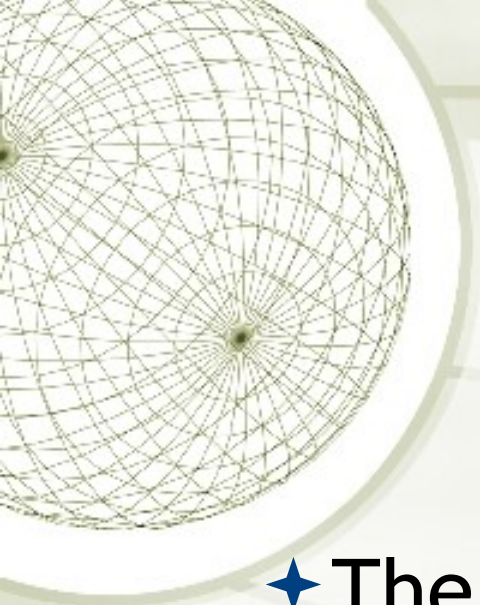


Today's Program



- ★ The American Revolution
- ★ Impact of Independance war



Great Britain and the Colonies: increasingly different

- ★ 18th century: a distinctive culture began to emerge in America.
- ★ Farmers, workers and artisans lived in remote areas and little contact with government.
- ★ American thinking, in the hands of intellectuals, developed around concepts of personal freedom and human rights



Tax disputes

- ★ Britain needed money to pay for its war debts.
- ★ King and Parliament believed they had the right to tax the colonies and required several kinds of taxes to pay for the French and Indian War.
- ★ Colonists felt that they should not pay taxes passed in England by Parliament, not by their own colonial governments.

Series of Tax Acts



The Sugar Act

- ★ 1764
- ★ three-cent tax on sugar other goods.
- ★ Only certain members of colonial population were effected.

The Stamp Act

- ★ 1765
- ★ the first to effect the entire population.
- ★ All publications (newspapers, pamphlets, legal documents) had to have a Stamp.

Townshend Acts

- ★ 1767
- ★ taxes on lead, paints, glass, paper and tea.

“No taxation without representation.”



The Boston Massacre

1770

- ★ Colonial men were shouting insults at British soldiers.
- ★ They started throwing things, probably snow balls and rocks.
- ★ Someone yelled “fire” and the Red Coats (the British soldiers) shot.
- ★ Five colonists were killed. These were the first Americans killed in the War for Independence.

The BLOODY MASSACRE perpetrated in King—Street BOSTON on March 5th 1770 by a party of the 29th REG^t



Unhappy Boston! see thy Sons deplore,
Thy hallow'd Walks beset with guiltless Gore.
While faithless P—n and his savage Bands,
With murderous Rancour stretch their bloody hands;
Like fierce Barbarians grinning o'er their Prey,
Approve the Carnage, and enjoy the Day.

If scalding drops from Rage from Anguish Wring,
If speechless Sorrows lab'ring for a Tongue,
Or if a weeping World can ought appease
The plaintive Ghosts of Victims such as these:
The Patriot's copious Tears for each are shed,
A glorious Tribute which embalms the Dead.

But know Fate summons to that awful Goal,
where JUSTICE strips the Mind rer of his Soul:
Should venal C—ts the scandal of the Land,
Snatch the relentless Villain from her Hand,
Keen Execrations on this Plate infer'd,
Shall reach a JUDGE who never can be brib'd.

The unhappy Sufferers were Mess^{rs} SAM^l GRAY SAM^l MAVERICK, JAM^s CALDWELL, CRISPUS ATTUCKS & PAT^l CARE

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Killed Six wounded; two of them (CHRIST^l MONK & JOHN CLARK). Mortally



• TEA ACT (1773)

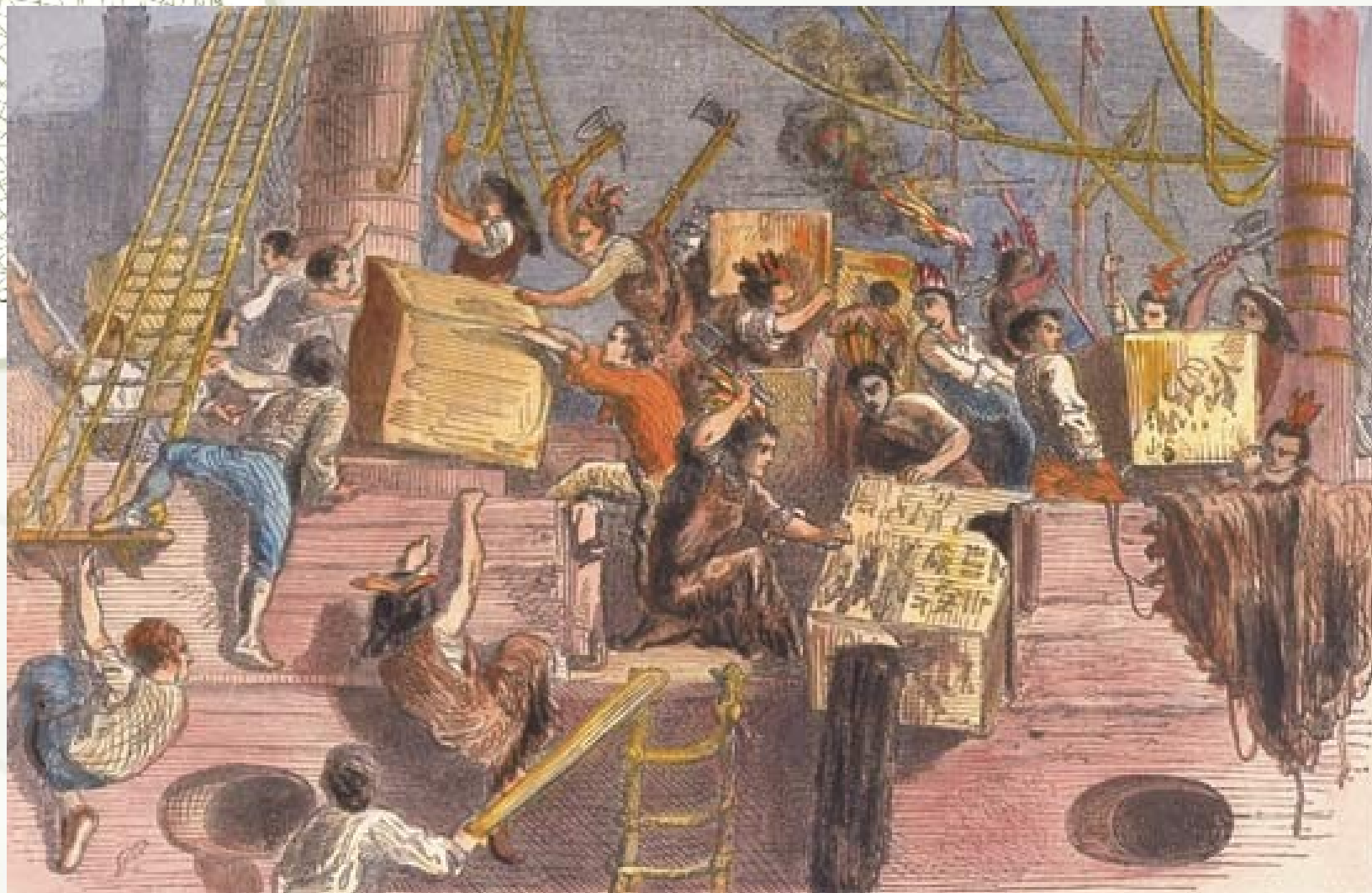
FORCED COLONISTS TO BUY TEA FROM EAST INDIA TEA COMPANY (AND TAXED TEA)



The Boston Tea Party

1773

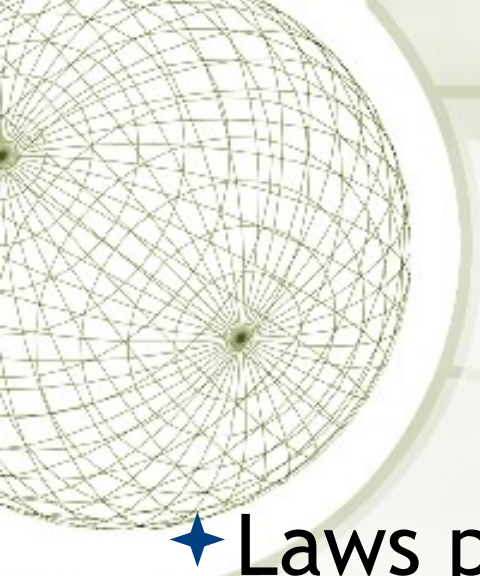
- ★ Colonists dressed up like Mohawk Indians and boarded three British ships full of tea.
- ★ The colonists dumped all the tea into the harbor, about 90,000 pounds.
- ★ King George III was furious!





THE DESTRUCTION OF TEA AT BOSTON HARBOR.

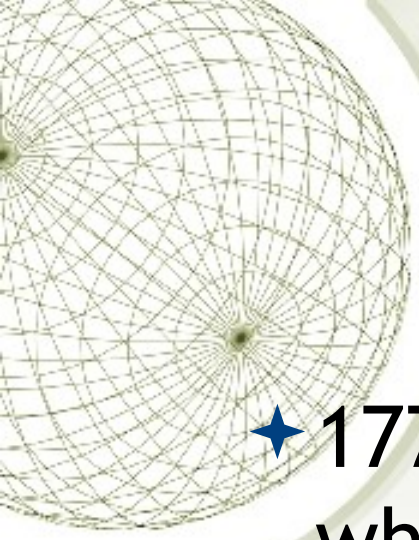
Political cartoon showing the reaction to the Boston Tea Party



The Intolerable Acts

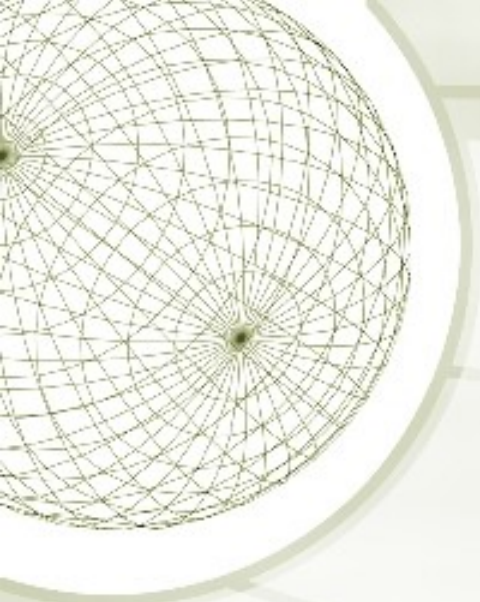
1774

- ★ Laws passed to punish the colonists for the Boston Tea Party.
- ★ The port of Boston was closed until the tea was paid for.
- ★ The Quartering Act to force colonists to quarter (house and supply) British soldiers.



The American Revolution

- ★ 1775 and 1783 Series of battles where the British were defeated
- ★ America won its independence
- ★ Britain recognized its military failure and lost its 13 American colonies




How could the world's largest empire be beaten by an undisciplined, unprepared, divided American nation ?



British strength

- ★ Britain's military was the best in the world.
- ★ soldiers were well equipped, well disciplined, well paid, and well fed.
- ★ British navy dominated the seas.
- ★ Funds were much more easily raised by the Empire than by the Continental Congress.




British weaknesses

- ✦ British fought far from home.
- ✦ Military orders, troops, and supplies took months to reach their destinations.
- ✦ Difficult objective: persuade Americans to give up their claims of independence.
- ✦ Geographic vastness of colonies proved a hindrance to the British effort



American weaknesses

- ★ tremendous difficulty raising enough funds to purchase basic supplies for troops, including shoes and blankets.
- ★ One in five Americans openly favored the Crown
- ★ Half the population hoping to avoid the conflict
- ★ Most Indian tribes sided with Britain, who promised protection of tribal lands.



American strength

- ★ Americans had a grand cause: fighting for their rights, their independence and their liberty.
- ★ American military and political leaders inexperienced, but competent.
- ★ War expensive and the British debated its necessity.
- ★ Had many American sympathizers in Parliament.



A Shrinking empire?

- ★ The trade which Britain relied on for wealth severely interrupted
- ★ drops in imports and exports
- ★ recession which followed caused stock and land prices to plummet.
- ★ Trade affected by naval attacks from Britain's enemies, and thousands of merchant ships were captured.



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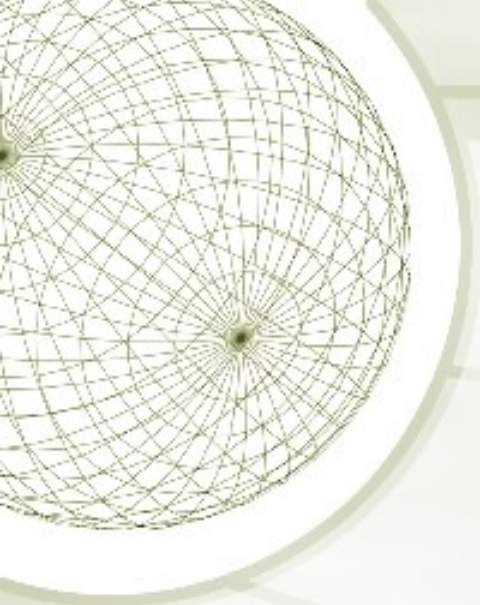
- ★ Loss of colonies resulted in greater support for the crown
- ★ Growing sense of national identity and pride.
- ★ War boosted British self-image as a nation attacked facing America, the French, the Spanish and the Dutch.
- ★ Low tariffs stimulated trade and economy recovered rapidly by the 1790s
- ★ War industry boosted British industry
- ★ Americans were purchasing twice as much from Britain as they had as colonists in the 1760s.




Seeds of the Second Empire

- **The empire had to be ruled with a firmer hand : imperial structures became more authoritarian**
- **British began to think of empire more in terms of conquest and annexation rather than white colonies (with one exception: Australia)**
- **Britain lost thirteen colonies but retained Canada and land in the Caribbean, Africa and India. Began to expand in these regions, building up the ‘Second British Empire.’**

QUIZ TIME





Q1 Which statement about tax disputes is right

- A. England required several taxes to pay for the Napoleonic Wars.
- B. Colonists would accept to pay taxes only if they are passed by Parliament in England
- C. Colonists would accept to pay taxes only if they are passed by Colonial governments
- D. England imposed taxes with the consent of American representatives in Parliament



Q2 The Sugar, Stamp and Townshend Acts are called:


- A. The intolerable Acts
- B. The impossible Acts
- C. The unbearable Acts
- D. The inequitable Acts



Q3

British soldiers were called:

- A. Union Jacks**
- B. Red coats**
- C. Red hats**
- D. Patriots**



Q4 Which statement about the Boston Massacre is wrong?

- A. Five colonists were killed
- B. Colonists threw tea bags at soldiers
- C. It triggered the Independence War
- D. Red Coats shot at crowd



Q5 The Boston Tea Party was

- A. A tea Party in honor of HM the King
- B. A coffee shop for Boston's merchants
- C. A political protest by the Sons of Liberty
- D. Caused by the Intolerable Acts



Q6

Tick the wrong statement

- A. Britain's military was the best worldwide
- B. British navy dominated the seas.
- C. British soldiers were well equipped, well disciplined and well paid.
- D. Funds from taxes repaid British debts.



Q7 Which of the following describes British weaknesses

- A. Difficulty in raising funds to buy supplies for troops.
- B. Geographic vastness of colonies proved a hindrance
- C. Half the population hoping to avoid the conflict
- D. Indian tribes sided with the enemy promising them land protection



Q8 Short term consequences of the war on Britain included

- A. Trade which Britain relied on for wealth severely interrupted
- B. Imports and exports skyrocketed
- C. Recession which followed caused stock and land prices to rise.
- D. British ships captured enemy ships

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Q10

How many colonies were lost during the war?

- A. 12
- B. 13
- C. 14
- D. 15

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Q9

After loss of colonies, England did not retain land in:

- A. Canada**
- B. Africa**
- C. Barbado**
- D. India**