

Guided Reading



The Spirit of Independence

Lesson 2 *Uniting the Colonists*

ESSENTIAL QUESTION
Why does conflict develop?

Trouble in Massachusetts

Reading for Accuracy Use your textbook to decide if a statement is true or false. Then write **T** or **F** in the blank. If it is false, rewrite it to make it true.

- 1. Britain feared a rebellion so it sent more troops to Virginia.

- 2. Colonists called the British soldiers "redcoats."

- 3. The British soldiers in Boston were polite and helpful.

- 4. On March 5, 1770, British troops opened fire on colonists in the streets of Boston.

- 5. Crispus Attucks, a British tax collector, was killed in the Boston Massacre.

- 6. Colonial leaders used the Boston Massacre as propaganda to turn the colonists against the British.

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_____ 7. Parliament repealed all of the Townshend Acts except the tax on paper, because of the increased boycotts on British goods.

Crisis in Boston

Answering Questions As you read the section, answer the questions below.

8. Explaining Why did the colonists object to the Tea Act?

9. Identifying What was the Boston Tea Party?

Describing In the right column, describe the action taken by each group listed in the left column.

Group	Situation	Action
Colonial merchants	The Tea Act	10.
Daughters of Liberty	The Tea Act	11.
Parliament	The Boston Tea Party	12.