

Virtual History Teacher
Crispus Attucks Test

Name: _____

Instructions: You are playing the role of a history teacher who is grading the test below. See the questions and your “student’s” answers. Grade the quality of the answers on a scale of 1-4, “1” being a poor answer and “4” being a great answer. For each answer you grade, use your knowledge of Crispus Attucks, or, reference the mrnussbaum.com online biography, to add the missing pieces.

Question 1: What was known about the life of Crispus Attucks?	Score:
Student Answer: Not much.	
Your Response:	

Question 2: What happened in the Boston Massacre?	Score:
Student Answer: Some people got killed.	
Your Response:	

Question 3: What did John Adams think of Crispus Attucks? Why?	Score:
Student Answer: He did not like him very much.	
Your Response:	

Answers:

Question 1: What was known about the life of Crispus Attucks?	Score:
Student Answer: Not much.	
Your Response: While a lot is missing from the life story of Crispus Attucks, there is some information about this life. We know that he was a sailor that travelled to different colonial ports, and we know he probably used a false name.	

Question 2: What happened in the Boston Massacre?	Score:
Student Answer: Some people got killed.	
Your Response:	
While a lot is missing from the life story of Crispus Attucks, there is some information about this life. We know that he was born in 1723 in Massachusetts, and we know he was a sailor. We also know that he was of mixed descent – African-American and Native American.	

Question 3: What did John Adams think of Crispus Attucks? Why?	Score:
Student Answer: He did not like him very much.	
Your Response:	
John Adams didn't seem to think very much of Crispus Attucks. He definitely did not see him as a hero, but rather, as someone who tried to play the role of the hero, and someone who likely made the situation worse with "mad behavior."	