

Virtual History Teacher
Boston Tea Party 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 the Boston Tea Party, or, reference the mrnussbaum.com online narrative, to add the missing pieces.

Question 1: Why were the colonists angered by the tea monopoly granted to the East India Company?	Score:
Student Answer: It was unfair.	
Your Response:	

Question 2: How did the British respond to the tea party?	Score:
Student Answer: They were very angry and made new rules.	
Your Response:	

Question 3: Which of the Intolerable Acts was the worst?	Score:
Student Answer: The Quartering Act.	
Your Response:	

Answers:

Question 1: Why were the colonists angered by the tea monopoly granted to the East India Company?	Score:
Student Answer: It was unfair.	
Your Response: The citizens of Massachusetts were incensed by what they considered a tyrannical act by Parliament. To the colonists, it seemed like Parliament was interfering in their business affairs and controlling what they could and could not do.	

Question 2: How did the British respond to the tea party?	Score:
Student Answer: They were very angry and made new rules.	
Your Response: The British were indeed angry with the colonists and issued the Intolerable Acts, a series of five severe acts designed specifically to punish the colonists for the Boston Tea Party.	

Question 3: Which of the Intolerable Acts was the worst?	Score:
Student Answer: The Quartering Act	
Your Response: Most students will choose the Quartering Act because it is unimaginable to have to provide food and shelter for enemy soldiers. By today's standards, that usually seems the most unfair to students, but encourage them to think of the very negative aspects of the Massachusetts Government Act, or the Administration of Justice Act.	