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The Boston Tea Party: A Spark Igniting Revolution

Multiple Choice Questions

1. What event is often considered a significant catalyst for the American Revolution?

- a) The signing of the Declaration of Independence
- b) The Boston Tea Party
- c) The Battle of Lexington and Concord
- d) The Stamp Act

2. Why were the colonists frustrated with the Tea Act of 1773?

- a) Because it allowed them to buy tea at a lower price
- b) Because it granted the British East India Company a monopoly on tea sales
- c) Because it lowered taxes on tea
- d) Because it granted them representation in the British Parliament

3. What did the colonists disguise themselves as during the Boston Tea Party?

- a) Native Americans (Mohawk Indians)
- b) British soldiers
- c) French explorers
- d) Spanish merchants

4. What did the British government do in response to the Boston Tea Party?

- a) Imposed higher taxes on tea
- b) Closed the Boston Harbor and passed the Coercive Acts (Intolerable Acts)
- c) Offered the colonists representation in Parliament
- d) Sent gifts to the colonists as a peace offering

5. How did the Boston Tea Party contribute to the American Revolution?

- a) It directly triggered the revolution
- b) It caused the colonists to submit to British authority
- c) It led to peaceful negotiations between the colonists and the British government
- d) It escalated tensions, united the colonists, and garnered support for independence

