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The Boston Tea Party and Public Opinion

Open-Ended Response Questions

1. Why did many American colonists oppose the Tea Act of 1773, and how did they view it in the context of British taxation and their rights?

2. Describe the events of the Boston Tea Party, including the date, the ships involved, and the actions of the colonists. What were the motivations behind this protest?

3. What factors influenced whether colonists supported or opposed the Boston Tea Party, and how did economic interests, geography, and political beliefs play a role in shaping their stance?

4. Did the Boston Tea Party receive widespread support from American colonists? Explain your answer by considering the varying levels of enthusiasm and concern among different colonies and individuals.

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