

Discover America

Course 3 - Teacher Guide



**COURSE 3: THE ORIGINAL COLONIES
AND THE BOSTON TEA PARTY**

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Key Themes

- Boldness
- Freedom
- Persistence

Core Values

- Faith
- Liberty
- Community
- Life

Learning Objectives

Students will be able to:

- Tell what the Stamp Act of 1765 did to the colonists.
- Explain one outcome of the King passing the Stamp Act of 1765.



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Key Terms

- 01 **colony** - a group of people who leave their country and start a new settlement.
- 02 **King George III** - the King of England who was in charge of the government of the colonies.
- 03 **Stamp Act of 1765** - a law that taxed everything on printed paper.
- 04 **taxes** - money that goes to the government for different reasons.

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Introduction

ASK Students

Imagine you are going to play a game with a group of friends. Instead of discussing what you all want to play, imagine your big brother tells you what game you have to play. He says you are not allowed to play anything else or you will get in trouble.

How would that make you and your friends feel?

(allow students to respond)

TELL Students

Something similar happened to the colonists when the King started charging them money for things but did not ask them for any input. They were forced to pay him, and he would not listen to any of their complaints or suggestions on the matter.

WATCH

Learn More with Liberty



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The Stamp Act

TELL Students

The colonies had their own government structure, but the King of England still ruled over them with an iron fist. Over time, the colonists became angry with King George III for the high taxes he and his government charged. Britain owed a lot of money, specifically from a war they just fought against the French, so the King and the British government looked to the colonies to pay these heavy costs.

Among the taxes imposed by Britain that angered the colonists was the Stamp Act of 1765, which taxed printed paper. This included taxes on playing cards, newspapers, and documents. These taxes on printed materials greatly affected students, journalists, and lawyers—who used a lot of paper!

The colonies had no one representing them in the British government and could not get the King to listen to their frustrations—which made them angry. In response to the Stamp Act, the slogan “No taxation without representation!” came about because the colonists did not think it was right that they had no say over Britain’s forcing of these taxes upon the colonies.

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The Stamp Act

TELL Students

Although the British government removed the tax in 1766 after it faced uproar from the colonists, this experience brought the colonists together around a similar cause—that Britain did not have the right to impose taxes on the colonies without their say.

REFLECTIONS

How did this forced tax affect the liberty of the colonists?

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Flash Cards



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**STAMP ACT
OF 1765**

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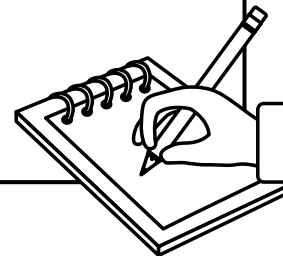
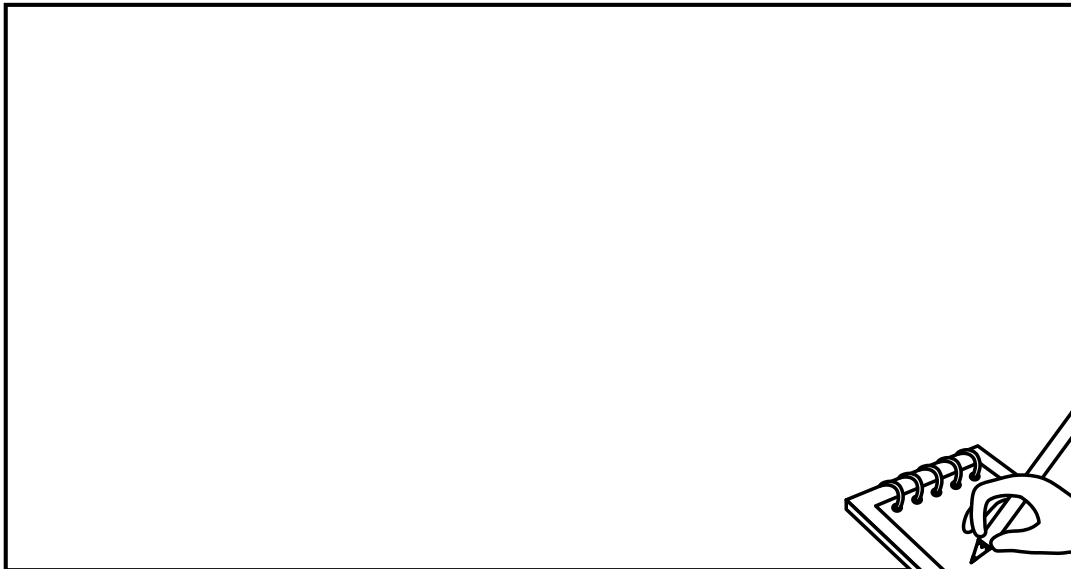
TAXES

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The Stamp Act



taxation representation without ! No

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<https://www.history.com/topics/american-revolution/boston-tea-party>

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