

Too Late to Apologize: A Declaration Viewing Guide-SAMPLE ANSWERS

Directions: Using the image of the engraving by Paul Revere, answer the following questions.

The [engraving](#) is a depiction of the bloody massacre perpetrated in King Street Boston on March 5th 1770 by a party of the 29th Regt. and engraving by Paul Revere.

WHO? What two sides are represented in this engraving?	WHAT? Explain what is happening in the engraving using specific examples.
British and Boston colonists	Boston Massacre- answers will vary with specific examples
WHEN? When did this event take place?	WHERE? Where did this event take place?
March 5, 1770	King Street, Boston

WHY? Why might this event be important to the writing of the Declaration of Independence?
Answers will vary. Possible answers could include that the colonists felt that the British had too much power over colonists.

Directions: Using the [video](#), answer the following questions.

1. What side, or point of view, does this video focus on- the British or American? Give at least one example from the video to support your answer.

American; answers will vary on examples.

2. Within the video, you see pictures burning. What is the significance of adding these images?

British monarchs are portrayed in the pictures that are burning, signifying that their reign will soon be over.

3. Use the chart below to break down the song lyrics to decide what they mean.

Lyrics	What You Think It Means
“screaming across the waves”	From America to England
“no fair trials, no trades, no liberties”	These are examples of how the British were controlling colonists
“we won’t stand for tyranny”	Colonists wanted a more fair type of government, not just one ruler controlling everything
“We’ve paid your foolish tax, read the acts, they just won’t do”	Colonists were upset with having to pay taxes on certain items and following the rules that were put in place by the British
“All men were created with certain unalienable rights”	Colonists should be given the rights to life, liberty, and pursuit of happiness

4. Why was it “too late to apologize”, according to the song?

Colonists felt that they had their rights neglected for too long and that it progressively got worse. They wanted the opportunity to gain their rights back by becoming independent.