"The people have become more attentive to their liberties, and more determined to defend them. Our presses have groaned, our pulpits have thundered, our legislatures have resolved, our towns have voted the crown officers have everywhere trembled."
Grenville and the Stamp Act

- Results of the Stamp Act in the Colonies:
- Encouraged colonial unity
- Entitled to the Virginians = always self-governed
- Repeal of the Stamp Act (1766)

BUT...

The Townshend Acts

- Charles Townshend & the Townshend Acts
- Enforce
- Temporarily suspended all acts of

- "It does not require a majority to prevail, but rather an irate, tireless minority keen to set brush fires in people's minds."
Setting Brush Fires

❖ Prelude to Violence:
❖ Boycott of (Loyalist) Businesses
❖ Feb 22 — Ebenezer Richardson shoots 11 year old
❖ Funeral Procession

The Bloody Massacre

Monday, March 5th, 1770
You will be divided into groups of Sons of Liberty and Bostonians, British Soldiers, and John Adams in order to answer/debate the following issues:

- What really happened on that fateful night of March 5th, 1770?
- What issues led to the violence of the Boston Massacre?
- How is the mob in Boston reacting to this problem?
- Should the British Redcoats be convicted for murder?