

### Quartering Troops without Consent

The Quartering Act of 1765 required colonists to provide housing and supplies for British troops in America.

#### 4. Why did colonists object to this act?

### Taxation without Representation

The colonists believed in the long-standing British tradition that Parliament could tax only those citizens it represented—and the colonists claimed to have no representation in Parliament.

#### 5. How do persons today give consent to taxation?

refusing to pass others to encourage their migration hither, and raising the conditions of new Appropriations of Lands.

He has obstructed the Administration of Justice, by refusing his Assent to Laws for establishing Judiciary powers.

He has made Judges dependent on his Will alone, for the **tenure**<sup>9</sup> of their offices, and the amount and payment of their salaries.

He has erected a multitude of New Offices, and sent hither swarms of Officers to harass our people and eat out their **substance**.<sup>10</sup>

He has kept among us, in times of peace, Standing Armies, without the Consent of our legislatures.

He has affected to render the Military independent of and superior to the Civil power. He has combined with others to subject us to a jurisdiction foreign to our constitution and unacknowledged by our laws; giving his Assent to their Acts of pretended Legislation:

For **quartering**<sup>11</sup> large bodies of armed troops among us;

For protecting them, by a mock Trial, from punishment for any Murders which they should commit on the Inhabitants of these States;

For cutting off our Trade with all parts of the world;

For imposing Taxes on us without our Consent;

For depriving us, in many cases, of the benefits of Trial by Jury;

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For transporting us beyond Seas to be tried for pretended offenses;

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For abolishing the free System of English Laws in a neighboring Province, establishing therein an **Arbitrary**<sup>12</sup> government, and enlarging its Boundaries so as to render it at once an example and fit instrument for introducing the same absolute rule into these Colonies;

For taking away our Charters, abolishing our most valuable laws, and altering fundamentally the Forms of our Governments;

For suspending our own Legislatures, and declaring themselves invested with power to legislate for us in all cases whatsoever.

He has **abdicated**<sup>13</sup> Government here, by declaring us out of his Protection and waging War against us.

He has plundered our seas, ravaged our Coasts, burnt our towns, and destroyed the lives of our people.

He is at this time transporting large Armies of **foreign Mercenaries**<sup>14</sup> to compleat the works of death, desolation, and tyranny, already begun

9. **tenure:** term.

10. **eat out their substance:** drain their resources.

11. **quartering:** housing or giving lodging to.

12. **Arbitrary:** not limited by law.

13. **abdicated:** given up.

14. **foreign Mercenaries:** professional soldiers hired to serve in a foreign army.