

PROPAGANDA AND THE BOSTON MASSACRE



1. What is the purpose of this engraving?

2. Who would be interested in seeing this engraving?

3. What is happening?

4. Describe the two sides of this image. Consider the background, individuals or groups, or objects.

5. What feelings do you have towards each of the two groups? Why?

6. Based on everything we've read about Britain and their relationship with the Colonists, do you believe the image to be true? Why?

PROPAGANDA AND THE “TRUE” BOSTON MASSACRE

After reading about the Boston Massacre in your book (pgs. 136-139) and watching John Adams, compare the actual events to the image below. Draw a new picture or write a response from the point of view of a British officer.



Answer the following:

What is different in your picture?

What is the same?

How effective was the use of propaganda in encouraging revolt among the colonies?