The Bloody River of the Boston Massacre Crystal Bonilla and Olivia Fernandez Junior Division Website Category Website word count: 480 Process paper: 476

# Process Paper

#### How did we chose this topic?

We chose the topic of the boston massacre because we think it was a really important event in history. Not many people know about the boston massacre and we think it isn't getting the recognition it deserves. To add to that, we are interested in the boston massacre and revolutionary war and since these two both connect in a way, we thought it would be good to research the boston massacre and use it as our theme.

#### How did we conduct research?

We found most of our research online. We used keywords to find important information or the specific information we were looking for. Britanica really helped us conduct our research because it had lots of information on what happened during and after the boston massacre. History.com was also really helpful because it had dates and information on the boston massacre. We had some trouble navigating the website builder but after some time, we were able to figure out how to add links and a navigation bar. We were able to easily build our website in about two weeks.

#### How did we choose the category and how did we create the project?

When coming up with the topic to use for this we had to first write down some of the options we thought of doing, before we came together and agreed on the boston massacre. We both agreed on it because I wanted to do something from Some type of war that impacted not just America but other places. So we came to decide the revolutionary war but we needed to come up with a more specific part of it that caused it so where's better to start then the beginning. When trying to come up with how we were going to display our project we wanted a way that was easy to do and that would allow us to write down as much as we could. So we decided on a website to help us display our work because of the space we had to use and it would be easier to put in the photos.

#### How does the topic relate to the theme?

Our topic relates to our theme of frontiers because it moved the frontiers from different colonies to unite against British rule. The Boston massacre was an important event that is almost forgotten about in this modern age. I mean sure we might be taught about it but not so much of a deep dive into it. So that's what we plan to do with this website today. We together want to show people why the boston massacre was a huge event that led to American independence. Most of the time

when you think of American independence you think of the revolutionary war but people forget that's not where everything first started.

## Annotated Bibliography

### **Primary Sources**

\*Author not stated. "Account of the Boston Massacre." Published by The American Battlefield Trust. March 12, 1770. January 10th, 2023 at 9:02 am. https://www.battlefields.org/learn/primary-sources/account-boston-massacre

This helped us find a primary source for our project. It shows a firsthand account of the boston massacre.

\*Author Not stated. "The Trials ." Massachusetts Historical Society. January 2nd, 2023. https://www.masshist.org/features/massacre/trials

This source shows notes on the trial of the 8 men. It is one of the rare primary sources that we could find on the boston massacre

\*PSN. "Today in History: Boston Massacre" Primary Source Nexus. March 5th, 2012. January 12, 2023 at 8:55 am. <u>https://primarysourcenexus.org/2012/03/today-in-history-boston-massacre/</u>

This helped us find out more about the boston massacre. It is one of the only primary sources we could find.

\*Thomas, Isaiah . "Boston Massacre Perpetrated On March 5th, 1770." Massachusetts Historical Society. November 11th, 2013. January 12th, 2023 at 8:59 am. https://www.masshist.org/database/3063?ft=Boston%20Massacre&from=/features/massacre/visu al&noalt=1&pid=34

This helped us with our website because it was a great picture to add. It is a great primary source to use on an nhd project.

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### Secondary Sources

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This helped us learn about the little details on the boston massacre. It also helped us learn about why it happened.

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This helped us learn about the effects and downfalls of the boston massacre. It also educated us on the order of the events.

Ducksters. "American Revolution: Boston Massacre." *Ducksters*, Technological Solutions, Inc. (TSI), 2022. November 14, 2022 at 8:49 am.

https://www.ducksters.com/history/american\_revolution/boston\_massacre.php

This source was helpful because it gave us the citation to the site. It was also helpful because it had images and captions so we could understand the topic better.

Editors, History.com. "Boston Massacre." A&E Television Networks. September 20, 2022. November 3, 2022 at 9:06 am. https://www.history.com/topics/american-revolution/boston-massacre

This helped us find images and dates on the boston massacre. It was very helpful to us because it had useful information.

Peterson, Farah. "Black Lives and the Boston Massacre." Published by The American Scholar Phi Beta Kappa. December 3rd, 2018. January 2nd, 2023 at 11:25 am. https://theamericanscholar.org/black-lives-and-the-boston-massacre/

This helped us learn more about how black people were disrespected during the boston massacre. It also taught us how it began.

Wallenfeldt, Jeff. "Boston Massacre, United States history." No known puplisher. September 5th, 2022. November 8, 2022 at 9:05 am. <u>https://www.britannica.com/event/Boston-Massacre</u>

This source was extremely helpful to us because it had multiple paragraphs with different information. It had lots of information and really helped us comprehend the topic.

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