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From Tea to Tyranny Answer Key

Cause (Event/Decision)	Effect (Result/Outcome)
1. Britain imposed taxes on imports to raise money.	2. Colonists protested "taxation without representation."
3. The Tea Act gave the East India Company special rights.	4. Colonists saw this as a trick to accept Parliament's taxes.
5. Colonists dumped tea into Boston Harbor.	6. Britain passed the Coercive Acts, increasing tensions.

Reflection Sample Responses

1. Colonists saw the Tea Act as a threat to their political rights, not just an economic issue, because it forced them to accept Parliament's authority.
2. Britain's harsh response further damaged trust and made the colonists more determined to resist, eventually leading to revolution.
3. Students may say yes (they could have written petitions, continued boycotts, or used diplomacy) or no (they had already tried other protests, so direct action felt necessary). Encourage justification either way.