

Exercise walk-through

Taxation Without Representation ■ 3.3

eXercise

You must be able to

- state what began to unite the colonists
- name the four grounds of the colonial argument
- state who energized the independence effort
- state what men and women did in the face of shortages

Method — What united them

The imperial struggles of the mid-18th century, as well as new British efforts to collect taxes without direct colonial representation or consent and to assert imperial authority, began to unite the colonists against perceived and real constraints on their economic activities and political rights. “Perceived and real” — the CED does not require every grievance to be well founded.

Method — Four grounds

The rights of British subjects, the rights of the individual, local traditions of self-rule, and the ideas of the Enlightenment. The first is a claim under British law; the others are broader.

Method — Who energized it

Colonial leaders such as Benjamin Franklin, as well as by popular movements that included the political activism of laborers, artisans, and women. Leaders and popular movements together.

Method — Mobilisation

In the face of economic shortages and the British military occupation of some regions, men and women mobilized in large numbers to provide financial and material support to the Patriot movement.

Practice 2.1 ■ 2 marks

Name the four grounds of the colonial argument.

Solution 2.1

Method: Four grounds

Worked steps

the rights of British subjects; the rights of the individual; local traditions of self-rule; the ideas of the Enlightenment **B2**.

Practice 2.2 ■ 2 marks

State who energized the effort for independence.

Solution 2.2

Worked steps

colonial leaders such as Benjamin Franklin **B1**, and popular movements including the activism of laborers, artisans and women **B1**.

Practice 2.3 ■ 2 marks

The CED writes “perceived and real”.

- (a) State what this allows.
- (b) State what men and women did in the face of shortages.

Solution 2.3

Method: Mobilisation

Worked steps

- (a) that not every grievance need be well founded **B2** for it to have united colonists.
- (b) they mobilized in large numbers to provide financial and material support to the Patriot movement **B1**.

Exam-style 3.1 ■ 1 mark

The first of the four grounds is the rights of

A British subjects

B enslaved people

C French citizens

D the monarch

Solution 3.1

Method: Four grounds

A British subjects



B enslaved people

C French citizens

D the monarch

Worked steps

A. British subjects.

Exam-style 3.2 ■ 1 mark

Popular movements included the political activism of

A laborers, artisans and women

B royal governors

C British generals

D nobody

Solution 3.2

Method: Who energized it

A laborers, artisans and women



B royal governors

C British generals

D nobody

Worked steps

A. the CED's own list.

Exam-style 3.3 ■ 1 mark

A colonist argues that a tax violates his rights as a British subject.

- (a) State which ground this is.
- (b) Explain why this ground is different from the others.

Solution 3.3

Method: Four grounds

Worked steps

(a) the rights of British subjects **B1**. (b) it is a claim under existing British law **B1**, so it asks Britain to keep its own rules rather than appealing to a broader principle **B1**.