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Patriot, Loyalist, or Neutral?

Define the following terms:

<p>Patriot: The Patriots of the American Revolution were colonists that wanted independence from England (British) Sons of Liberty were a group of Patriots that used non-violent and violent protests</p>	<p>Loyalist: Colonists who remained loyal to the Crown were called Loyalists, or Tories. Often times, loyalists were upper class citizens who lived in cities instead of the country</p>	<p>Neutralist: Colonists who were too far away to fight, or embraced the beliefs of both parties were referred to as neutralists. They made up the remaining one third of American colonists during the revolution.</p>
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How would each colonial perspective respond to the following events?

	Patriot	Loyalist
Boston Massacre	Patriots would generally blame the Redcoats for firing into a crowd of unarmed colonists	Loyalist would generally have blamed the colonists for harassing the Redcoats
Boston Tea Party	Patriots would generally blame the British for passing the Tea Act	Loyalists would generally blame the Patriots for destroying property, and not accepting British law
Tarring and Feathering	Patriots would generally blame the British government for sending tax collectors and others to enforce unfair laws	Loyalists would generally blame the Patriots for unfairly attacking government officials that were just carrying out orders from the King

