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Instructions: Read the section and complete each item with words from the passages in this section.

1. Tensions between Britain and the American colonies eased when the _____ were repealed and the troops were removed from _____. Many colonists still boycotted _____, the one item that was still being taxed by the British.
2. The boycott led to an excess of the crop and the _____ Company asked Parliament for help. They enacted the _____ of 1773. They agreed not to remove tax on tea, but to reduce the price. At this time, many colonists had either _____ drinking tea or _____ in tea from the _____.
3. Colonial leaders claimed that if colonists purchased the tea, they would be agreeing to the British _____. Protesters in several cities refused to let ships of tea _____.
4. In Boston on December 16, 1773, some colonists _____ over _____ chests of _____ into the _____. This event was known as the _____.
5. Britain punished this act of protest with a series of laws in 1774 called the _____ Acts in England and the _____ Acts in the American colonies. Boston was punished with a _____ which caused many people to be out of _____. Massachusetts' elected government was suspended and a British _____ was put in charge of the colony. The _____ Act

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punished all of the colonies by forcing them to provide _____
and _____ for _____.

6. Most colonists agreed that these new laws went too far. The ones that agreed with the British were known as _____. People throughout the thirteen colonies discussed how to react to the new laws. In September 1774, the _____ met in Philadelphia. All colonies except _____ sent a representative.

7. At this meeting, all of the representatives agreed that the laws were _____ but they did not all agree on the best way to solve the problem. Eventually they decided to boycott all _____. If the laws were still in place a year later they agreed to _____ goods to the British. This response _____ Parliament who believed their harsh punishment would encourage other colonies to behave.

8. Parliament responded by sending more _____ to the colonies and banning shipments of _____ and _____ from being sent in hopes that this would _____ the colonists. In the meantime, colonists began training their _____ and collecting _____ and _____ to prepare for war. Patrick Henry famously cried “Give me _____ or give me _____” in response to whether to prepare the colonists for war.