

American Revolution Cause and Effect Ladder

Because of the availability of inexpensive, smuggled Dutch tea,
the colonists consumed less British tea.



Because the colonists consumed less British tea,
the East India Company began losing money.



Because the East India Company began losing money,
British Parliament passed the Tea Act.



Because British Parliament passed the Tea Act,
colonists bought even less tea and worked to keep tea from landing at their ports.



Because colonists bought less British tea and worked to keep tea from landing at their ports,
the British were more determined than ever that it be landed.



Because the British were more determined than ever that tea be landed,
the Boston colonists staged the Boston Tea Party.



Because the Boston colonists staged the Boston Tea Party,
British Parliament passed the Coercive Acts as punishment.



Because British Parliament passed the Coercive Acts as punishment,
the Continental Congress was created,
encouraging intensified protests and continued boycotts of British goods.



Because the Continental Congress encouraged intensified protests,
the British began to fortify Boston and attempted to seize ammunition belonging to colonists.



Because the British attempted to seize ammunition belonging to colonists,
Minutemen on Lexington Green confronted British troops, and the American Revolution began.