

## Boston Massacre: RAFT Writing

**TEACHER NOTE:** to use this resource in your classroom - click 'file' and then click 'make a copy' to create your own Google Doc version to edit as needed and share with your students.

Directions: Using RAFT write about the Boston Massacre. Use the information that you have learned from the video clip to help you complete your writing. Make sure to include details to help tell your reader understand the importance of the Boston Massacre. Use the example to help you get started.

R – Role - decide what your role was in  
the event (bystander, patriot(supports  
independence), loyalist(supports the King),  
British soldier)

A – Audience - Who are you writing to?

F – Format - letter home or to a friend

T- Topic – Events of the Boston Massacre

### Example:

March 6, 1770

Dear Mom,

Last night I was in Boston, with my friends from the Sons of Liberty. The RedCoats were everywhere. They are supposed to be protecting us and making sure the taxes are enforced but who are we being protected against? It started to snow so we decided to throw snowballs at the RedCoats. We were just messing around but the commander of the RedCoats ordered the soldiers to fire into the crowd. People fell dead in the street. I just can't believe this happened, our own British soldiers firing into the crowd. I believe it will be the start of a Revolution.

Love,

*Boston Patriot*