Causes for the American Revolution

•	Proclamation of 1763- The Proclamation of 1763, signed by King George III of England,	
	prohibited any English settlement west of the	
•	Sugar Act of 1764- The Sugar Act was passed by Parliament to pay for thebrought	
	on by the French and Indian War and to help pay for the expenses of running the colonies.	
•	Stamp Act of 1764- In March, the Stamp Act was passed by Parliament imposing the first direct	Ĺ
	tax on the American colonies, to offset the high costs of thein America. Fo	r
	the first time in the 150 years of the British colonies in America, the Americans will pay taxes no	ot
	to their own local assemblies in America, but directly to England.	
	Under the Stamp Act, all printed materials were taxed, including:	
	o newspapers	
	o pamphlets	
	o bills	
	odocuments	
	o licenses	
	o almanacs	
	o Dice andcards.	
•	Rallying Cry:	
	o "Nowithout Representation"	
•	Townshend Acts- In 1767, The English Parliament passed the Townshend Revenue Acts,	
	imposing a new series of taxes on the colonists to pay for the costs of the	
•	Colonist Reaction to the Townshend Acts-	
	oand Petition	
	 Non-importation (From England) agreements 	
	 Claim violation of rights – illegal searches 	
	o Protests	
	 Action against tax collectors including tar and feathering some 	
•	The Quartering Act- England sends in the British army to enforce tax collection	
	They were "quartered" () in colonist homes	
	 Colonist are forced to pay cost including feed the soldiers 	
0	Boston Massacre 1770- March 5th, 1770	
	o Theoccurred when a mob harassed British soldiers who	
	then fired their muskets into the crowd, killing three instantly, mortally wounding two	
	others and injuring six.	