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### A Crisis Over Taxes...

After the French and Indian War, England was in debt due to the cost of the war. They were already taxing British citizens in England to help pay off the debt, and then in 1763, England began taxing the American colonist. The colonists were outraged!

Why were the colonists so upset with British taxes imposed on them? They had  
NO Say in what was being taxed.

Using the "tax cards", complete the following chart.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Stamp Act</b></p> <p>Date passed: <u>1765</u></p> <p>Description: <u>Required colonists to purchase a stamp to affix on every paper product + legal documents</u></p> <p>Colonial Reaction: <u>They rioted in cities + threw rocks at stamp agents.</u> <u>STAMP ACT CONGRESS: Letters sent to King to cancel the stamp act</u></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Townshend Acts</b></p> <p>Date passed: <u>1767</u></p> <p>Description: <u>Taxed goods such as glass, paper, paint + tea</u></p> <p>Colonial Reaction: <u>They boycotted all British products that were being taxed.</u></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Quartering Act</b></p> <p>Date passed: <u>1765</u></p> <p>Description: <u>Provide the British soldiers with housing. Soldiers were given food, bedding, ect</u></p> <p>Colonial Reaction: <u>Outraged + believed that British soldiers should not be able to come into their houses at will.</u></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Writs of Assistance</b></p> <p>Date Passed: <u>1767</u></p> <p>Description: <u>Allowed British to search a ship's cargo without a reason</u></p> <p>Colonial Reaction: <u>Protested that government could not search a person's property without reason</u></p>