Voices of the Revolution: Document Analysis

1. What is the general motivation of the writer of this document (i.e., religious, philosophical)?

2. Were there any antecedent events directly preceding the authoring of the document that may have influenced it (i.e., the Stamp Act, Boston Massacre)?

3. Are there any significant attitudes about rights of various groups expressed? Explain.

4. Was this a document originally intended for a small audience or large audience? Would type of original audience affect how the document was authored?

5. Is there a specific call to action in the document? If so, what?

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