**![C:\Users\garrje\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary Internet Files\Content.IE5\XI1HP5YR\MC900149883[1].wmf]()The Boston Tea Party**

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Sammy lived in Boston

And he loved to drink tea.

But one day something happened

That made him angry.

A king in a faraway land said

“From now on every time

Someone drinks a cup of tea,

They must give me a dime.”

This did not seem fair to Sammy.

The king lived so far away,

Why should he care what Sammy drank?

And why should Sammy pay?

Lots of people agreed with Sammy

There was a lot of frustration.

People made speeches with long clever words

Like “taxation” and “representation.”

So Sammy got some friends together

And the rebellion began.

They knew where the king kept his tea

And they came up with a plan.

Sammy was a little worried

That they’d be recognized.

So they dressed up as red Indians

And then went out disguised.

Lucky Listener Signatures:

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The tea was kept on three ships

Docked in the harbor

The ships were called “The Dartmouth”

“The Beaver” and “The Eleanor.”

They climbed aboard the Dartmouth first

And quickly found the tea.

They found hundreds of boxes

And threw them in the sea.

Next they boarded the Beaver

And found where the tea was stored.

Just like they had done before,

They threw it overboard.

Then they moved to the Eleanor

And did the same thing there.

They spoiled all the king’s tea

Because he’d been unfair.

They hadn’twanted to steal the tea

Because stealing things is wrong.

They’d wanted to teach the king a lesson

That was the plan all along.

The next day everyone was talking

About the tea that Sammy had sunk.

They called it the Boston Tea Party

Even though no tea had been drunk.