



Sugar Act Primary Source Questions - Teacher Answer Key

1. Who can you determine created the Sugar Act? How can you tell?
 - **Parliament. They created the Sugar Act and asked the King to enact it.**
2. Sugar was not the only taxed imported good in the Sugar Act. Name 3 other taxed imported goods.
 - **Indigo, Molasses, Coffee, Wine, Silks, Bengals, Stuffs, Lawn.**
3. What are import ships required to do before departure and upon arrival?
 - **Sign an affidavit in front of a justice of the peace who must confirm the legality of the affidavit. They also must declare everything onboard including the number and the quality, and the place that the goods came from. Upon arrival, the captain of the ship must swear an oath in front of the customs officer and will be penalized if they lie.**
4. Most of the writing in the Sugar Act outlines what?
 - **The correct procedures for transporting imports, the way to prevent illicit imports, and the punishment for fraudulent imports.**
5. What were some of the penalties for not following the correct procedures to import goods?
 - **Fines, seizure of ships and vessels.**



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6. What can you best determine was the purpose of the Sugar Act?
- It was a way for the British to gain more money from the colonists after the Seven Years' War.



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