

DBQ 5

American history has been made by those that do not shrink from expressing their beliefs. Often, those that do so put themselves in a perilous situation. The following are a few examples of those that have courageously used freedom of speech to advance liberty.

DBQ Assignment - To what extent has speech been a line of defense as well as a beacon of hope for liberty in America? Use at least three of the primary sources provided in a coherent and persuasive three paragraph response. (What do these individuals have in common? What did they risk?)

James Otis - Writs of Assistance

<http://www.nhinet.org/ccs/docs/writs.htm>

Patrick Henry - Stamp Act Resolves

<https://www.loc.gov/resource/cph.3a07238/>

https://www.encyclopediavirginia.org/media_player?mets_filename=evm00003332mets.xml

<https://www.history.org/history/teaching/tchcrvar.cfm>

Peter Zenger - sedition (trial)

http://www.nycourts.gov/history/legal-history-new-york/legal-history-eras-01/History_Tryal-John- Peter-Zenger.pdf <https://www.nps.gov/feha/learn/historyculture/the-trial-of-john-peter-zenger.htm>

Susan B Anthony - Right to Vote

<http://www.historyplace.com/speeches/anthony.htm>

Martin Luther King - Letter from Birmingham Jail

http://web.cn.edu/kwheeler/documents/letter_birmingham_jail.pdf