

Opium and Tea

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Tea

- Started at the top of the Industrial Revolution, with the movement to assembly lines. Britain imported 31,000 tons from China.
- Kindled the Revolution: Liberty Tea + Boston Tea Party
- Coercive Acts
- Joseph Banks-India is key
- Cavendish, Wallien, Bruce-Men in Assam
- Racism-All Chinese people can make Chinese tea
- Today: INDIA is the BIGGEST!!!!!!



Opium

- A narcotic from poppy seeds that was previously used as medicine or an aphrodisiac
- smoked along with tobacco
- popular in China
- grown in India by peasants
- Illegal led to smuggling
- Opium War



Connections

- Mass Production in India
- Both lead conflict
- Smuggled
- Highly taxed and regulated
- Destabilization of Chinese Economy
- Lead to British Denomination

