John Adams, Patriot

Boston Lawyer

(later….2nd President of U.S.)

***From our text…***

“Like his cousin Sam, John Adams was a Patriot. But he also believed that every person had the right to a fair trial, even the hated redcoats (British soldiers).”

The patriots called the British soldiers murderers after the killing of 5 “unarmed citizens” of Boston.

Today’s debate topic: (Do you agree or disagree?)

**As a patriot, John Adams should have supported the other patriots and not have defended (as a lawyer) the British soldiers in the Boston Massacre trial.**