Boston Massacre

Both points of view from Loyalists and Patriots tell the story of the Boston Massacre differently, but yet they have some things in common. To begin with, the way the Patriots tell the events of the Boston Massacre is that some boys and young fellows were throwing snowballs at a British sentry. Then, a group of people gathered because of the kids throwing snowballs. Finally, the captain commanded the sentry to fire. This was an unhappy affair.

On the other hand, the Loyalists point of view is that soldiers were insulted or beaten on the streets by people throwing sticks, rocks, and icy snowballs at the soldiers. The Loyalists think that the crowd was yelling “Fire!” And the soldiers thought their captain said fire. Preston (the captain) was mad because he did not command the troops to fire.

Last, these two points of view may be different but they do have things in common. These two points of view agree that people started this riot by throwing snowballs. These two points of view also have the same mood because they both have tense scenes. These two also have the soldiers firing at the people in the crowd.

Clearly, these two points of views are told differently but have things in common. Everyone sees the Boston Massacre differently, how do you see it?