

The Industrial Revolution Homework Questions

Remember that all questions are worth two points. In order to get both points you must restate the question at the beginning of your answer. Do **NOT** use pronouns ever. All parts of the question must be thoroughly and completely answered to get full credit.

1. Would you rather buy goods from a “mom and pop” store or a national chain? Why or why not?
2. Do people have a right to a job? Defend your response.
3. What is the cost (negative effects) of specialization?
4. Why does enclosure show up for the first time in the late 17th century?
5. How does crop rotation work?
6. What is the relationship between population and the factory system?
7. Why are early factories built next to rivers?
8. Are the social changes (family life) caused by the factory system positive or negative? Defend your response.
9. Why does Great Britain take the lead in the Industrial Revolution?
10. Why is the development of the textile industry significant?
11. Why would the steam engine be considered one of, if not the most, important invention in history?
12. Why were railroads essential for the spread and success of the Industrial Revolution?
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14. Why would people live in tenement housing?
15. Why would people work under the conditions of the Industrial Revolution?
16. Why would a parent send a child as young as six to work in a factory?
17. What impact will the growth of the middle class have on politics?
18. Why do most labor unions fail through the 19th century?
19. Why does Marx believe the proletariat will overthrow the bourgeoisie?
20. How does Marx believe a society would function after the proletarian revolution?
21. What benefits does the invention of steel provide to society?
22. Why don't colleges offer a degree in invention?
23. What new ideas did Henry Ford introduce to the Industrial Revolution and why are they significant?
24. What was the common denominator in jobs that women were allowed to hold during the Industrial Revolution?
25. What was the basis of legal discrimination against women? And how is that considered “protection”?
26. Is mass culture better or worse than local or regional culture? Defend your response.