



Labor Unions

Directions: Read the article. Then, answer the question below.

Workers Unionize!

Many labor unions formed during the late 1800s, including the Knights of Labor and the American Federation of Labor. Overall, their goals were to fight for shorter workdays, higher wages, shorter hours, improved working conditions, and an end to child labor. Certain labor unions would support going on strike while others did not. Those labor unions who supported striking would collect money from members over time to be saved for when members were on strike. The money would be used as a source of income for members while they were

on strike. Some unions only allowed skilled, white laborers who could not be replaced easily. Others, however, were open to people of different skill levels and backgrounds. By the early 1900s, labor unions became a powerful force in the American industry.

When did many labor unions form?

Late 1800s Early 1600s late 2000s

Name two Labor Unions.

What was a goal that Labor Unions fought for?

Improved working conditions higher wages all of the above

T or F All Labor Unions supported going on strike

True False

T or F Some unions only allowed skilled white laborers.

True False

T or F By the early 1900s labor unions became a powerful force in American Industry.

True False