

# Factory Conditions & Child Labor During the Industrial Revolution

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## Part 1: Multiple Choice: Choose the best answer for each question.

1. Many factories during the Industrial Revolution were—
  - a. clean and quiet
  - b. unsafe and crowded
  - c. empty and unused
  - d. outdoors
2. Why did factory owners often hire children?
  - a. Children were highly educated
  - b. Children asked for high wages
  - c. Children could be paid less money
  - d. Children owned factories
3. What was one danger children faced while working in factories?
  - a. Too much vacation time
  - b. Dangerous machinery
  - c. Too many school activities
  - d. Comfortable working conditions
4. Which industry commonly used child labor?
  - a. Textile factories
  - b. Movie theaters
  - c. Computer companies
  - d. Airlines
5. What was one result of poor factory conditions?
  - a. Workers became healthier
  - b. Workers often suffered injuries
  - c. Factories became smaller
  - d. Workers worked fewer hours
6. Why did many families allow children to work in factories?
  - a. They needed extra money
  - b. Schools were too easy
  - c. Children wanted vacations
  - d. Factories offered free homes
7. What reform did Progressives support regarding child labor?
  - a. Longer workdays for children
  - b. Laws limiting child labor
  - c. More factory dangers
  - d. Fewer schools

8. During the Industrial Revolution, factory workers often worked—
    - a. short shifts
    - b. only weekends
    - c. long hours
    - d. one hour a day
  9. Which of the following was a common factory problem?
    - a. Clean air
    - b. Safe machinery
    - c. Poor ventilation
    - d. Short workdays
  10. Labor unions worked to improve—
    - a. factory safety and wages
    - b. child labor opportunities
    - c. pollution in rivers
    - d. railroad ticket prices
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## Part 2: Fill-in-the-Blank

### Word Bank

factories

wages

children

unions

unsafe

reform

machinery

hours

11. Many \_\_\_\_\_ during the Industrial Revolution had dangerous working conditions.
  12. Workers often earned very low \_\_\_\_\_ for long days of labor.
  13. Many \_\_\_\_\_ worked in factories instead of attending school.
  14. Labor \_\_\_\_\_ fought for better working conditions.
  15. Factory equipment and \_\_\_\_\_ could cause serious injuries.
  16. Many workplaces were crowded and \_\_\_\_\_.
  17. Progressive leaders pushed for \_\_\_\_\_ to improve factory conditions.
  18. Factory workers often worked long \_\_\_\_\_ every day.
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