Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire – Quiz #2

Part I – Multiple Choice

1. What floor of the Asch Building housed the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory when the fire occurred?

A. The eighth, ninth, and tenth floors
B. The first, second, and third floors
C. The fourth, fifth, and sixth floors
D. The eleventh, twelfth, and thirteenth floors

2. What was one reason the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire spread so rapidly?

A. Flammable materials were present in the factory
B. The factory was built entirely of concrete
C. Workers were using water to clean the floors
D. The building had no electrical equipment

3. Which group became especially active in pushing for workplace reforms after the Triangle fire?

A. Labor and progressive reformers
B. Foreign diplomats
C. Military commanders
D. Railroad executives

4. Which government body in New York became associated with investigating and improving factory safety after the fire?

A. The New York State Factory Investigating Commission
B. The United States Supreme Court
C. The Federal Reserve Board
D. The Interstate Commerce Commission

5. What did the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire demonstrate about many industrial workplaces of the era?

A. Economic growth could occur alongside dangerous working conditions
B. Factories had already eliminated most safety problems
C. Workers were generally protected from industrial accidents
D. Government regulations had made factories completely safe

6. Why did the deaths of workers who jumped from the building become such a powerful image of the tragedy?

A. They showed how desperate workers were to escape
B. They showed that the fire was outside the building
C. They proved that firefighters caused the fire
D. They demonstrated that the building was empty

7. The Triangle fire is most closely connected to which Progressive Era goal?

A. Improving working and living conditions
B. Expanding overseas colonies
C. Reducing public education
D. Ending all private businesses

8. Which statement best describes the long-term significance of the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire?

A. It became a symbol of the need for worker protection
B. It ended industrialization in New York
C. It eliminated labor unions
D. It caused the United States to enter World War I

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Part II – True or False

9. The Triangle Shirtwaist Factory occupied three floors of the Asch Building.

True / False

10. The fire helped increase public concern about factory safety.

True / False

11. The Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire had no effect on workplace regulations.

True / False

12. The disaster became an important event in the history of the American labor movement.

True / False

13. The fire occurred during the Progressive Era.

True / False

Part III – Fill in the Blank

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safety	**Asch**	**regulations**	**shirtwaists**

14. The Triangle Shirtwaist Factory was located in the _____ Building.

15. The factory produced women's blouses called _____.

16. The fire became a major symbol of the need for better workplace _____.

17. The disaster helped encourage factory safety _____.

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