

UNDERSTANDING THE LESSON**7****Recalling Facts****LESSON 2 CONTENT MASTER**

* Read each question and write the correct answer on the blank that follows. Use complete sentences.

1. How were the first machines powered? _____

2. How did James Watt contribute to the Industrial Revolution? _____

3. Why were early factories located near waterfalls or dams on streams? _____

4. Why did factories replace home workshops? _____

5. Why did factory workers have to follow strict schedules? _____

6. How did the use of steam engines in manufacturing affect the growth of towns and cities? _____

7. Why were the factory towns and cities like Manchester unattractive? _____

8. How did the Industrial Revolution change people's standard of living? _____

9. How was the money provided by capitalists used to build the factories of Manchester?

10. What risk does a capitalist take when investing in a new business? _____

Think and Write: In a paragraph, explain how business during the Industrial Revolution was different from business during the Middle Ages. You may use the back of the sheet.

WORKING AS A CHILD

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* Imagine that you are a young worker in a cotton factory in Manchester, England, in the early nineteenth century. Complete the paragraphs below to tell about your work. Use the words in parentheses under each answer line to guide your writing. For many blanks there is more than one correct answer, so don't worry if a classmate writes in different information.

"What a long and weary day I have! I must be in my place at the factory at

_____, because that is the time when the _____ starts
(time of day) (kind of machine)
 running. Then I must work until _____ at night.
(time of day)

"The machines in this mill spin and weave _____. Before the machines
(kind of cloth)
 were invented, people did this work by _____. It took
(method)

_____ to learn to be a skillful weaver. But a boy or girl only
(length of time)

_____ years old can quickly learn how to tend a machine. And the factory
(age)
 owners do not have to pay children as much as they pay _____."
(other workers)

In England today—and in many other countries as well—there are laws that say children cannot work in factories. In some other countries, it is legal for employers to hire children as factory workers. The table below lists reasons supporting each idea.

Why Children <i>Should Not</i> Work in Factories	Why Children <i>Should</i> Work in Factories
1. The work is too dangerous for them. 2. Children need time for school. 3. Children need time for play.	1. Many families need the extra income. 2. Employers should be able to hire anyone. 3. Children learn skills.

Think about the information presented in the table. Then, in two or three sentences, tell whether children should or should not be allowed to work in factories. Support your answer with at least two reasons. The reasons need not be from the table.
