

AP European History

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Chapter 20 Study Guide – The Industrial Revolution and its Impact on European Society

Vocabulary: On index cards, identify the following.

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| 1. Agricultural Revolution | 6. Tariffs | 11. Poor Law Act of 1834 |
| 2. Capital | 7. Joint-stock investment bank | 12. Trade unions |
| 3. James Watt | 8. Irish Potato Famine | 13. Luddites |
| 4. Great Exhibition of 1851 | 9. Public Health Act | 14. People’s Charter |
| 5. Crystal Palace | 10. Cholera | |

Questions: Complete the following as you read chapter 20 in your textbook.

1. Complete the following chart outlining factors that helped Great Britain’s early industrialization.

Factor	Definition	How it helped British industrialization
Agricultural Revolution		
Supply of Capital		
Entrepreneurs		
Mineral Resources		
Government		
Markets		

2. What inventions increased the production of cotton goods in Great Britain?
 - a.
 - b.
 - c.
 - d.
 - e.
3. How did these inventions change the lives of cotton workers?
4. How did James Watt transform the cotton industry in Great Britain?
5. How did increased cotton production change the lives of poor people?
6. What were the causes and effects of the boom in iron production?
 - a. Causes:
 - b. Effects:
7. Explain the ways railroads contributed to the maturing of the Industrial Revolution.
 - a.
 - b.
 - c.
 - d.
 - e.
8. What change in work habits were necessitated by the introduction of factories?
9. How did factory owners enforce this change in work habits?

10. How did the Great Exhibition of 1851 exemplify Britain's superiority in industrial technology?

11. List five reasons why Continental countries lagged behind Great Britain in industrializing.

a.

b.

c.

d.

e.

12. Explain the following factors which made Continental industrialization different from English industrialization.

a. Borrowing techniques and practices:

b. Role of government:

c. Joint-stock investment banks:

13. Why was Russia so late to industrialize?

14. List and explain two causes for the decline in the death rates throughout Europe.

a.

b.

15. Why was the Irish Potato Famine (or Great Hunger) so devastating for the Irish people?

16. Describe the living conditions in the cities of the early Industrial Revolution.

Housing	
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Sanitation	
Food	

17. Describe the new Industrial middle class.

18. What was the significance of these new entrepreneurs?

19. Why did artisans support movements against industrialization?

20. Describe working conditions in the cotton mills and coal mines.

21. Why was child labor used so extensively in the early Industrial Revolution?

22. How did the standard of living change during industrialization?

23. Why did workers seek to unionize?

24. Why was the Chartist movement important?

25. Explain the following attempts at governmental reform of working conditions.

Factory Acts	
Factory Act of 1833	
Ten Hours Act	
Coal Mines Act	