

Industrial Revolution

OBJECTIVE

- You will be able to explain the causes and effects of the Industrial Revolution.






Activity: Rapid Urbanization of an Industrial Town

DIRECTIONS: you will witness the growth of an Industrial town as we go through this simulation. We will start by drawing a town.

- Take 2 minutes to **draw a river** across your sheet of paper. In your town, draw **10 houses, 1 church, and a farm**. Draw yourself near one of the houses – this is your house 😊
- On the farm, draw a horse, a cow and a pig and some hay
- A new invention—the steam-powered engine—has made production MUCH more efficient! A businessman decides to move to your town and build a textile factory by the river. With all of the new jobs provided by this factory, many new people move to your small town! Draw **15 more houses** and a **factory by the river**.
- The production from the factory has started to pollute the atmosphere. **Draw smoke** coming out of the factory. The pollution has started to make residents of your town sick. Draw **2 hospitals**.

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- The factory owner has made enough money to build more factories. He digs out canals from the river and builds more factories. **Draw 2 canals and 3 more factories along the canals** in your town.
 - More factories means more jobs—immigrants from Germany and Ireland begin to arrive in your town. Draw **20 more houses** and **2 more churches** in your town.
 - With all this hard work, there is a demand for entertainment— **draw 4 pubs** in your town. Someone has to keep the people in line – draw a **police station**.
 - With more factories, and more pollution, people are starting to die off in your small city. **Draw 3 graveyards and 3 more hospitals**.
 - As more people move into your city, there is a need for more housing. As the supply of workers increases in the city, so do the number of factories! **Draw 5 apartment buildings and 10 more factories** in your growing city.



Industrial Town:

- Complete the page by adding color
- Double check that you have written your name!

Next...

Reflect on the growth of your town during the Industrial Revolution by answering these 4 questions in complete sentences:

- Who are the wealthiest people in your town? Why are they the wealthiest?
- Who are the poorest people in your town? Why are they the poorest?
- What are the positive effects of industrialization?
- What are the negative effects of industrialization?