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Ch. 12, Section 2- Reading Guide (Changes in Working Life)

Define: Provide a description for the following terms/people.

A.) Francis Cabot Lowell:

B.) trade unions:

C.) strikes:

D.) Sarah G. Bagley

Respond: After reading Ch. 12, Section 2, answer the following questions in complete sentences.

1.) What was the Rhode Island system, and why did Samuel Slater decide to adopt it?

2.) What problem did Slater have in his mills, and how did he solve it?

3.) What system did Francis Cabot Lowell use in his mills, and who did he hire under this system?

4.) What were the working and living conditions for Lowell girls?

5.) What had happened to the wages of craftspeople and factory workers by the 1840's?

6.) What are labor unions and how did they improve working conditions in the mid-1800's?