The Industrial Revolution changed the way things were made as new machines invented in the 1700's and 1800's meant it was possible to mass produce goods in factories. Starting in Britain and spreading through Europe and North America, a period of rapid social and economic change began, with widespread URBANIZATION.

HOW WERE FACTORIES POWERED?

During the 18th century, water was an important source of power for industry, and many machines were driven by waterwheels. Steam power was also developed at this time. Steam engines were used to pump water out of mine shafts and to power new TRANSPORTATION systems. Engines and furnaces were all fueled by coal. By the 19th century, coal was being transported to the factories by ship or rail.

WHY WERE GOODS MASS PRODUCED?

Before the Industrial Revolution, most goods were produced in small workshops or at home. Mass production in factories made it possible to manufacture goods more cheaply and quickly. Huge markets for these goods were opening up in the new cities, and in the lands that the European nations were conquering and settling overseas.

HOW DID WORKING CONDITIONS CHANGE?

The factory age meant that workers no longer owned the means by which they made a living. Some factory owners pushed up their own profits by pushing down the wages of their workers. Men, women, and children worked long hours for little pay, often in dangerous conditions. It took many years for wages and working environments to improve.

TRANSPORTATION

The Industrial Revolution depended on transportation to move materials, goods, and people. Canals were dug in the 18th century. In the 19th, steamboats and steam-powered trains were developed.

WHEN DID THE RAILROAD AGE BEGIN?

The first steam locomotive to run on rails was seen in Wales in 1804. Designs were greatly improved in the 1820s by English rail pioneer George Stephenson. Railroads were soon opening up the world.

URBANIZATION

Urbanization means the spread of towns. Between 1700 and 1900 the world's population grew from 679 million to 1.633 billion. Many people were city-dwellers.

WHAT KINDS OF CITIES WERE BUILT?

Cities grew up around coalfields or factories, at important seaports, along rivers and streams, and near railroad crossings. The reasons for this are access and opportunity. Railroads, for example, would bring new residents and raw materials for industry and construction. Cities provided cheap housing for the industrial workers.

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