Queensway School- Knowledge Organiser History (Industrial Revolution) Year 6, Term 3



- In 1837, 80% of the British population was living in the countryside.
- New farming machinery was the main reason for people moving to towns and cities.
- The Industrial Revolution was a time of great change.
- Many inventions were made during the Industrial Revolution.
- Factories were able to manufacture goods quickly and cheaply which improved Britain's trade.
- Towns and cities were crowded.
- Pollution was a big problem for those living in urban areas.
- Children were able to work in factories and coal mines to earn money for their families.

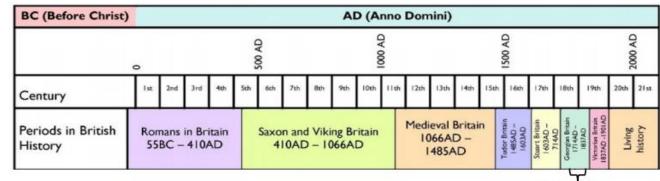
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Why did people move into the cities during the Industrial Revolution?

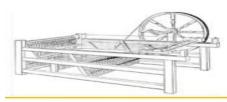
Did life improve for everyone?

Which invention made the biggest impact?

Key Vocabulary	
Rural. Countryside.	Urban. Town or city.
Industrial Revolution. Machines take the place of people and animals.	Industry. The process of making products by using machines and factories.
Revolution. A huge change or a change in the way things are done.	Invention. A new object or idea that has been created.
Manufacture. To make something on a large scale using machin- ery.	Mass production. Rapid (fast) production of identical objects.
Trade. Buying and selling goods.	Urbanisation. The growth of cities due to movement of people.
Population. All the inhabitants of a particular place.	Pollution. Harmful gases, smoke and chemicals in the environment.
Inferior. Less worthy, less valuable.	



The Industrial Revolution 1760 - 1820





The Spinning Jenny was a new invention. It was used in textile mills to produce yarn more quickly.

The increase in the number of steam engines meant that more coal needed to be mined. Mining was a very dangerous and difficult job.



Big and powerful steam engines were developed and used to run factories.



Black smoke from factory chimneys polluted the towns and cities.

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