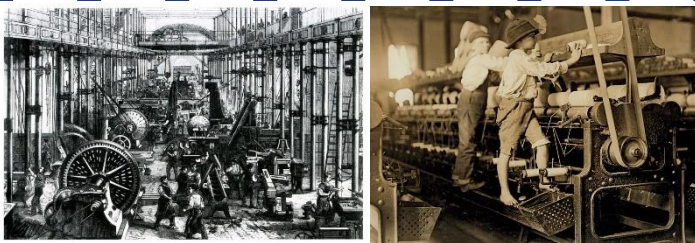


WHAT WAS THE INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION




The Industrial Revolution was a period of major changes in the way products were made. It took place more than 200 years ago and greatly affected the way people lived as well as the way they worked. In earlier days, people made products by hand. They worked mostly in their own homes or in small workshops. During the Industrial Revolution, many factories were built. Laborers began making large numbers of things using machines powered by engine



By the late 1700s, many people could no longer earn their living in the countryside. People moved from farms and villages into bigger towns and cities to find work. Cities grew larger, but they were often dirty, crowded, and unhealthy.

Although the machines made the work easier in some ways, factory work created many problems for the workers. Machines increased production. This meant that products were cheaper to make and also cheaper to buy. Factory owners grew rich. Factory employees, however, did not earn much, and the work was often dangerous. Many worked 12 to 14 hours a day. Men, women, and even small children worked in factories

Key Vocabulary

Town		A town is a place where people live and work. There may be shops, places of worship, leisure facilities and schools there. It is bigger than a village but smaller than a city.
City		having a cathedral or a university, a particular form of local government, or having a large population
Region		A region is a large area of land that is different from other areas of land
country		an area of land that has its own government and army. It is defined by its people, culture, language, geography and government.
physical feature		features like seas, mountains and rivers are natural. They would be here even if there were no people around
human feature		features are things like houses, roads and bridges. They have been built by people.
urban		belonging to, or relating to, a town or city. Urban areas have at least 2,000 housing units or have a population of at least 10,000.
rural		open countryside with population densities less than 500 people per square mile and places with fewer than 5,000 people.
Agricultural land		land that is suitable for farming production for both crops (food) and livestock (animals).
Residential land		Buildings that are lived in and therefore suitable for dwelling-purposes. Residential properties are specifically for living in.
commercial land		All property and land that is used for business activities. Commercial property is defined as any property which is not used for domestic dwelling
Industrial Revolution		a period of major innovation that began in Great Britain during the mid-18th century and early 19th century and later spread throughout much of the world

Where is Birmingham?

- Birmingham is a city in the West Midlands, UK
- Birmingham is home the National Exhibition Centre (NEC) as well as Europe's largest library.
- Over 1,100,000 people call Birmingham home.
- Birmingham lies in the centre of the Birmingham plateau, which lies between the rivers Avon, Severn, and Tren.

Industry

Birmingham was the heart of the industrial and commercial industries during the 18th and 19th century – the **city where the Industrial Revolution started**.

It is still home to two major car factories: MG Rover and Jaguar



Chocolate

The famous chocolate brand Cadbury is made in Birmingham

Cadbury

Canals

Birmingham has a 35-mile canal network which is more than any Venice has. Thus, **the city also holds the greatest number of canals on the entire Europe continent**. Canals were the primary transportation system in the town before the emergence of railways.



Blackpool Tower

The Blackpool Tower was built in 1894 and was inspired by the Eiffel Tower in Paris, France. The height of the tower is 158m and beneath it there are many entertainment and leisure venues, including the Tower Ballroom and Tower Circus. Because of the impressive size of the tower, it takes around seven years to be totally repainted from the top to the bottom!



The Coast

Blackpool is located on a sandy coast by the Irish Sea. It is the only beach resort in the UK with three piers.

With its tourist attractions, accommodation, promenades and amusement parks, it is visited by locals and tourists.

Blackpool rests on softer rocks, which means that they wear away more easily. The coastline here needs strengthening to protect homes from flooding

Where is Blackpool?

- Located on the northwest coast of England. Blackpool is a large town and seaside resort in Lancashire, England. The town is located about 28 km from Preston and about 65 km from Manchester.
- Blackpool is the most popular seaside resort in the UK
- The town of Blackpool is home to approximately 141,100 people.
- Blackpool's famous Pleasure Beach has over 40 rides and attractions, and is one of the UK's most visited tourist attractions. It has one of the highest rollercoasters in the country, with a 65 metre drop.