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The Industrial Revolution - Answer Key

Read each question and circle the correct answer.

1. Why was the discovery of large amounts of coal a cause of the Industrial Revolution?

- A. The smoke from burning coal harmed people's health.
- B. The discovery of coal caused a spike in population.
- C. Coal-powered cars moved faster than railways.
- ☒ D. People could use coal to power factories.

2. What was one cause of the population spike during the Industrial Revolution?

- A. the baby boom
- ☒ B. the agricultural revolution
- C. the rise of textile factories
- D. new theories about childbirth

3. What invention by Eli Whitney affected the textile industry?

- A. loom
- ☒ B. cotton gin
- C. light bulb
- D. steam engine

4. What was NOT a direct effect of the steam engine?

- A. People could travel farther than ever before.
- B. Factories didn't need to be built directly next to rivers.
- ☒ C. People became focused on using cleaner energy.
- D. The demand for coal increased.

5. As a result of the Industrial Revolution, where did more people work?

- A. on farms
- B. on airplanes
- ☒ C. in factories
- D. in cubicles

6. What issue did ***The Jungle***, by Upton Sinclair, expose?

- ☒ A. bad labor conditions in meatpacking factories
- B. cramped living conditions in tenements
- C. child abuse in textile factories
- D. the environmental effects of burning coal

7. What laws were passed in response to terrible working conditions for children?

- ☒ A. labor laws
- B. criminal laws
- C. constitutional laws
- D. marriage laws

8. Where did people live as a result of urban migration?

- A. farms
- B. suburbs
- ☒ C. cities
- D. colonies

9. Which social class grew the most as a result of the Industrial Revolution?

- A. nobility
- B. upper class
- ☒ C. middle class
- D. lower class

10. What economic system did Karl Marx promote in response to the negative effects of the Industrial Revolution?

- A. capitalism
- ☒ B. communism
- C. fascism
- D. anarchy