**Industrial Revolution**

*Explanatory Notes for Teachers*

**Level:** S2  
**Topic:** Industrial Revolution  
**Supporting Teaching Materials:** PowerPoint file for lesson consolidation

**Students’ Prior Knowledge**  
Before this ELA unit, students have learnt about the development of the Industrial Revolution through the medium of Chinese.

**Aims and Objectives**

I. **Content Objectives**

After the ELA activities, students should be able to use English to

1. demonstrate their understanding of the six major social changes resulting from the Industrial Revolution;

2. complete sentences accurately explaining the causes and effects of these changes.

II. **Language Objectives**

After the ELA activities, students will be able to

1. understand and use the English terms related to this topic (e.g., *started, led to, created, made, gave rise to, Industrial Revolution, factory system, population growth, urbanization, social classes, socialism, colonial expansion*);

2. understand the teacher’s PowerPoint Presentation about the six major social changes resulting from the Industrial when she used the following sentence structure:
   - *The Industrial Revolution started the factory system.*
   - *The Industrial Revolution led to population growth and urbanization.*
   - *The Industrial Revolution created new social classes.*
   - *The Industrial Revolution made the worker’s life difficult.*
   - *The Industrial Revolution gave rise to socialism.*
   - *The Industrial Revolution led to the colonial expansion of the industrial nations.*

3. understand the statements about the six major social changes and statements related to the elaboration of each of these social changes;
   - Steam engines were invented and machines were used in the production process.
   - Production of goods was done in factories instead of at home.
   - The population increased because of more food supply and better medicine.
   - Many of the rural population moved to the industrial towns because people could get jobs and better living conditions in the industrial towns.
   - Two new social classes were formed. They were the capitalist class and the working class. The two classes opposed each other.
   - A worker’s life was poor. They lived in poor conditions. Their working hours were long but their wages were low.
   - The workers joined together and wanted the government to protect their rights and interests.
   - Industrial / European powers set up colonies in Asia, Africa and the Americas for cheap raw materials and bigger markets.

4. respond to the What-, How-, Where- and Why-guiding questions to explain the cause-and-effect relationship in discussing each of the six major social changes resulting from the Industrial Revolution.
Procedure:
1. After reminding students of what they have learned about the Industrial Revolution through the medium of Chinese, the teacher should use the PowerPoint slides on the effects of the Industrial Revolution to introduce key English terms related to the topic.
2. The teacher should first show the statement describing each effect and then ask students to elaborate on the effect:
   (a) Teacher should show students the sentence
   (b) He or she should then invite students to give examples (evidence) with their knowledge of the Industrial Revolution. / (if necessary, the teacher may prompt students using the guiding questions on the PowerPoint slides)
3. Variation: (Level 2 activity) the teacher may refer to the Level 2 matching activity and ask students to select and match key points with corresponding details.
4. Variation: (Level 3 cooperative learning activity) the teacher may consider the Level 3 activity which gives guiding questions to prompt students to work in pairs to extend the ideas with details / historical evidence.
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### Level 1 – Teaching Notes to Students

#### Effects of the Industrial Revolution

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Steam engines were invented and machines were used in the production process and production was moved from home cottages to factories.

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- **Where** did the people move to?
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