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What impact did Industrialization have on American society?:

FACTORY WORKERS AND CHILD LABOR

How did factories exploit workers and child laborers?

EXAMPLE #1

“The Bitter Cry of Children”



Close Reading Skills Assessment

Document Title:

The student correctly identifies the author’s argument

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Yes	No

The student correctly identifies the author’s subclaims

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Yes	No

The student identifies evidence the author uses to prove the argument

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Yes	No

The student proficiently analyzes the legitimacy of the author’s evidence

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Yes	No

What does this excerpt point out about child labor? How did reading this make you feel?



EXAMPLE #2

Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire (summarize video clip)

EXAMPLE #3

**PRIMARY SOURCE ACTIVITY – UPTON SINCLAIR
“THE JUNGLE”**



Background:
Upton Sinclair

Sinclair’s investigation of the Chicago meatpacking industry flew off the shelves and informed the country about the conditions at the places where they got the meat for their dinner. Use the table and questions to discuss the problems facing the population at the time of the Progressives.

1. What kinds of problems are seen facing the workers in this meatpacking factory?
(Give 3 examples)
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2. What kinds of problems could the consumers see from meat purchased from this company?
(Give 3 examples)
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3. How do you think readers reacted to *The Jungle* when it first came out?

4. What can the government do to protect the citizens of the United States from companies such as this?