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**Industrial Revolution**

**Tycoon Titans of the Gilded Age Webercise**

Go to the website on Andrew Carnegie and looked under his biography and answer the following questions

[**http://www.biography.com/people/andrew-carnegie-9238756**](http://www.biography.com/people/andrew-carnegie-9238756)

1. Who was Andrew Carnegie and what was he best known for? Why was he one of the most important figures during the Industrial Revolution?
2. After moving to the United States, what did Carnegie worked on before he owned Carnegie Steel Corporation?
3. Go to “Steel Tycoon”. In 1865, Carnegie left the railroad industry to focus on other business interests, including what?
4. Identify three impacts Carnegie made with his Steel Corporation on American society and economy as a whole.

On the Rockefeller family website, click on John D. Rockefeller’s biograry and answer the following questions: <http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/americanexperience/features/biography/rockefellers-john/>

1. Who was John D. Rockefeller and why was he an important figure during the Industrial Revolution?
2. What were some of the jobs Rockefeller did before he went into business? Who did Rockerfeller formed a business partnership with in 1859 and what was it about?
3. Briefly describe how Rockefeller got into the oil business.
4. Describe the importance of Rockefeller’s refining oil company and the uses of oil for society during the Industrial Revolution.

In the following link, please watch this short video on J.P. Morgan’s coal company against the coal miners during the Industrial Revolution and answer the following questions: <http://www.history.com/videos/andrew-carnegie-and-the-homestead-strike#jp-morgan-battles-coal-miners-in-1902>

1. Briefly describe three of J.P. Morgan’s successes in his attempts to expand his economy empire.
2. Based on this short video, what were some of the motives behind the workers’ plan to strike against J.P. Morgan in 1902?
3. Based on the workers’ demands, can you infer some of the problems the workers were facing while working under J.P. Morgan’s businesses during the Industrial Revolution?
4. Why do you think President Teddy Roosevelt hated the tycoon titans such as Morgan, Carnegie, and Rockefeller?
5. On another sheet of paper, pick two of these men and compare and contrast their lifestyles, their successes and failures, and the impact they’ve made on society through their businesses.