

## INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION INTRODUCTION READING

**DIRECTIONS:** Read Chapter 7.1 – 7.2 in the Ellis World History textbook on pages 246-253. Be sure to note the accomplishments of key individuals and answer the checkpoint questions for the following sections:

### **1. Dawn of the Industrial Age / Life Changes as Industry Spreads (p. 246-247)**

- Why was the Industrial revolution a turning point in world history? What was revolutionary about? How did it change life? How was it different from a political revolution?

### **2. Agriculture Spurs Industry (p246-248)**

- What innovations led to an agricultural revolution? Note the key individuals and their innovation. Which innovation was most influential?
- How did the agricultural revolution contribute to population growth?
- How was the agricultural revolution connected to the Industrial Revolution?

### **3. New Technology Becomes Key (p.249)**

- What new technologies helped trigger the Industrial Revolution? Which individuals stand out?

### **4. The Textile Industry Advances (p. 252)**

- What innovations revolutionized the textile industry? In what ways was the revolution in textile production (and the Industrial Revolution in general) one big chain reaction?
- How did the textile industry reflect the changes made during the Industrial Revolution? (How did production change?)

### **5. The Transportation Revolution (p. 253)**

- Name the key innovations in transportation and their inventors.
- How did changes in transportation contribute to the Industrial Revolution?

### **SUMMARY DISCUSSION:**

1. What innovation(s) had the greatest impact on society?
2. Do the innovations of the 1<sup>st</sup> Industrial Revolution contribute to “living the good life?” Explain why or why not.