

Orientation Activity One: The Lorax: What is Sustainable Development?

INDIVIDUAL REPORT

Imagine that you are the Once-ler at the end of the story of the Lorax. Write a diary entry describing how you would have run your business differently given your current knowledge about the ways things turned out.

Evaluation Criteria

- Diary entry is written from the point of the Once-ler.
- Diary entry identifies at least three negative social and environmental effects created by the Once-ler's factory.
- Diary entry presents a clear plan for sustainable development; one that would prevent the negative social and environmental effects present in the original version of the story.
- Diary entry includes a sustainable plan that will meet human, economic, technological, and environmental needs.

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Activity One: Urbanization

INDIVIDUAL REPORT

Compare and contrast cities during the Industrial Revolution and cities today. Consider the reasons why cities form/grow, the challenges cities face, and solutions to those challenges. Is urbanization a problem, progress or a promise?

Evaluation Criteria

- Response both compares and contrasts cities during the Industrial Revolution and today
- Response includes at least three reasons why cities grew during the Industrial Revolution and at least three reasons why cities grow today.
- Response includes at least three challenges cities faced during the Industrial Revolution and at least three challenges cities face today.
- Response includes at least three solutions to challenges cities faced during the Industrial Revolution and at least three solutions to challenges cities face today.
- Response addresses whether urbanization represents a problem, progress, or a promise.

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Activity Two: The Distribution of Wealth

INDIVIDUAL REPORT

Which economic system would you have preferred if you had lived during the time of the Industrial Revolution? Why? Which economic system do you prefer today? Why? Is the distribution of wealth a problem, progress, or a promise?

Evaluation Criteria

- Response clearly states which economic system you would have preferred if you had lived during the time of the Industrial Revolution.
- Response includes at least three reasons why that economic system would have been best during the Industrial Revolution.
- Response clearly states which economic system you prefer today.
- Response includes at least three reasons why that economic system is best today.
- Response addresses whether the distribution of wealth represents a problem, progress, or a promise.

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Activity Three: Labor

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Compare and contrast the labor challenges of the Industrial Revolution with today's labor challenges. Consider the challenges faced by both women and children. Are today's solutions to those challenges more or less effective than the solutions from the era of the Industrial Revolution? Why? Is labor a problem, progress, or a promise?

Evaluation Criteria

- Response includes at least two comparisons and at least two contrasts between the labor challenges of the Industrial Revolution and today's labor challenge.
- Response addresses labor challenges faced by both women and children.
- Response address whether or not today's solutions to labor challenges are more or less effective than the solutions from the era of the Industrial Revolution; answer is justified with at least three reasons.
- Response includes at least three suggestions about what needs to be done today to improve the challenges of labor for women and children.
- Response addresses whether labor represents a problem, progress or a promise.

Activity Four: Imperialism

INDIVIDUAL REPORT

What are some of the advantages and disadvantages of imperialism? Is globalization the modern-day form of imperialism? Why or why not? Justify your answer with specific evidence. Are imperialism and globalization a problem, progress, or a promise?

Evaluation Criteria

- Response includes at least three advantages and at least three disadvantages of imperialism.
- Response considers multiple perspectives within the discussion of advantages and disadvantages of imperialism.
- Response discusses whether or not globalization is the modern-day form of imperialism.
- Response includes at least three reasons why globalization is or is not the modern-day form of imperialism.
- Response addresses whether imperialism and globalization represent a problem, progress, or a promise.