**Industrial Revolution: A Social History**

**Working Conditions Amongst the Working Class-Complex Task**

For your final assignment of this unit you will generate some kind of historical artifact that demonstrates your understanding of the working conditions and social issues of the urban working class during the 18th and 19 century in Europe.

You are to find some way to illustrate a day in the life of the urban worker that takes into consideration at least four of the following issues:

1. The long hours of the work day and week
2. The physical dangers of working in the factories
3. The Social/emotional dangers of working in the factories
4. The difficult working conditions that included the heat/cold, air quality, etc
5. The amount of compensation workers received and the relative cost of basic everyday needs in relation to that compensation
6. The recruiting practices of factories in attaining child labour for labour
7. The social struggles of workers in their fight for workers’ rights, unions, fair wages, etc.

You are not limited to these issues, please discuss with your teacher if you wish to add an issue

When thinking about what you might want to produce, please remember that your project must contain a writing component. Below are some project ideas-BE CREATIVE

1. Write a journal chronicling your time in the factory
2. Write a series of letters to friends, family or your future self
3. Create an illustrated story board that outlines a day in the life of a worker
4. Write of series of poems, songs or short stories
5. Film a short film or sketch to put on YouTube for all to see.

**Marking scheme**

Creativity /5

Final Product: Four issues are addressed (5 marks each) /20

Research (Historically Accurate) /5

Spelling/ Grammar/ Punctuation/Capitals /5

Bibliography (4 Sources) (Date, Author, Titles) /5

**Total /40**