**Chapter 17—Revolutions of Industrialization, 1750–1914**

**Seeking the Main Point**

**In what ways did the Industrial Revolution mark a sharp break with the past? In what ways did it continue earlier patterns?**

***Download and save this document so you can return to it as you take notes and for studying.*** *As you read the chapter, fill in the chart below to help you organize the developments associated with the Industrial Revolution into categories. If you are unsure about whether an event was a sharp break with the past or fundamentally a continuation of earlier patterns, put it in both columns. If you copy and paste from the text, make sure to put quotation marks around the copied material; however, if you can think of a way to put it into your own words, you should do so.*

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Break with the Past** | **Continuation of Earlier Patterns** |
| **Explaining the Industrial Revolution** |  |  |
| Why Europe? |  |  |
| Why Britain? |  |  |
| **The First Industrial Society** |  |  |
| The British Aristocracy |  |  |
| The Middle Classes |  |  |
| The Laboring Classes |  |  |
| Social Protest |  |  |
| Europeans in Motion |  |  |
| **Variations on a Theme: Industrialization in the United States and Russia** |  |  |
| The United States: Industrialization without Socialism |  |  |
| Russia: Industrialization and Revolution |  |  |
| **The Industrial Revolution and Latin America in the Nineteenth Century** |  |  |
| After Independence in Latin America |  |  |
| Facing the World Economy |  |  |
| Becoming like Europe? |  |  |
| **Reflections: History and Horse Races** |  |  |

*After you have read the chapter, use your notes to compose an essay that answers this question:*

**How revolutionary was the Industrial Revolution?**

*Be sure to include an opening, introductory paragraph in which you state your thesis. Then use the body of your essay to provide evidence from the chapter to support that thesis. Critical to this answer is the substantiation of your thesis with evidence. If there is evidence that contradicts your thesis, it is best to recognize these points but make the case that on balance they are outweighed by factors in support of your argument. End by writing a clear conclusion to your essay.*