

Section II

Part A: Document-Based Question

Time: 60 Minutes

1 Question

Directions: Question 1 is based on the accompanying documents. The documents have been edited for the purpose of this exercise. You are advised to spend 15 minutes planning and 45 minutes writing your answer. Write your responses on the lined pages that follow the questions.

1. Analyze the development of labor unions and their response to industrialization in the late 19th century and how industrialization impacted workers' lives from 1865 to 1900.

DOCUMENT 1

“When monopolies become stronger than the law, when legislatures become the servants of monopolies, when corporations can successfully bid defiance to public good and trample on individual rights, it is time for the people to come together to erect defenses for personal rights and public safety.”

From an editorial in the *National Labor Tribune*, April 24, 1875

DOCUMENT 2



Child Workers in a Spinning Factory c. 1880

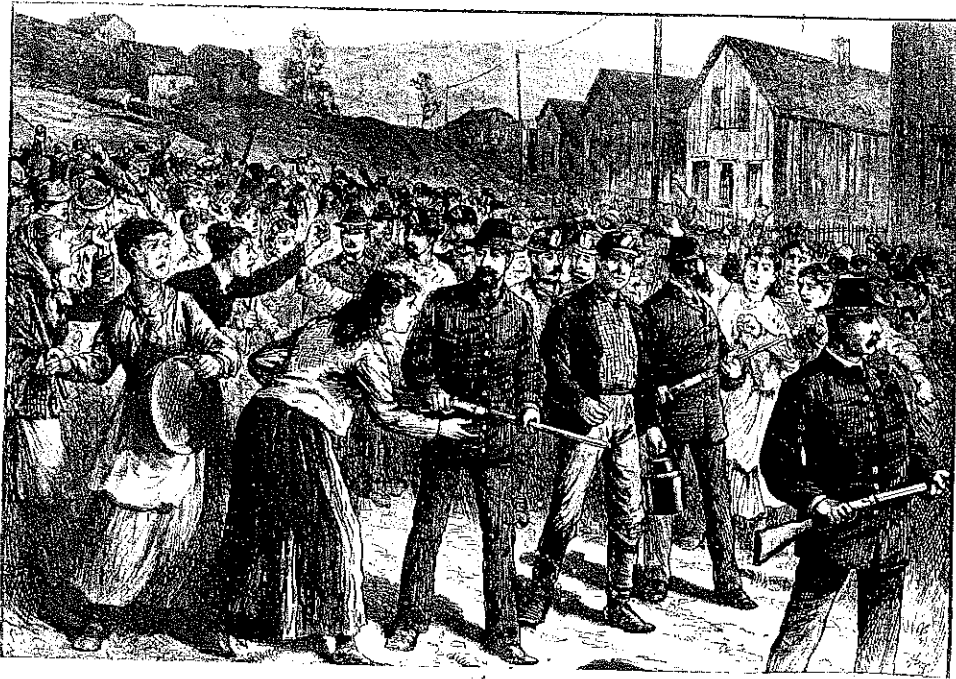
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DOCUMENT 3

- I. To bring within the folds of organization every department of productive industry, making knowledge a standpoint for action, and industrial and moral worth, not wealth, the true standard of individual and national greatness.
- II. To secure to the toilers a proper share of the wealth that they create; more of the leisure that rightfully belongs to them; more societary advantages; more of the benefits, privileges and emoluments of the world; in a word, all those rights and privileges necessary to make them capable of enjoying, appreciating, defending and perpetuating the blessings of good government.
- III. To arrive at the true condition of the producing masses in their educational, moral and financial condition, by demanding from the various governments the establishment of Bureaus of Labor Statistics.

Preamble to the Constitution of the Knights of Labor, adopted 3 January 1878

DOCUMENT 4



Ohio—the mining troubles in Hocking Valley—scene in the town of Buchtel—the striking miners' reception of "Blackleg" workmen when returning from their work escorted by a detachment of Pinkerton's detectives

DOCUMENT 5

Eight Hours

We mean to make things over,
We are tired of toil for naught
With but bare enough to live upon
And ne'er an hour for thought.
We want to feel the sunshine
And we want to smell the flow'rs
We are sure that God has willed it
And we mean to have eight hours;
We're summoning our forces
From the shipyard, shop and mill
Eight hours for work, eight hours for rest
Eight hours for what we will;
Eight hours for work, eight hours for rest
Eight hours for what we will.

Labor song of the 1880s

DOCUMENT 6

"You may not know that the labor movement as represented by the trades unions stands for right, for justice, for liberty. You may not imagine that the issuance of an injunction depriving men of a legal as well as a natural right to protect themselves, their wives, and little ones must fail of its purpose. Repression or oppression never yet succeeded in crushing the truth or redressing a wrong.

... let me assure you that labor will organize and more compactly than ever and upon practical lines; and despite relentless antagonism, achieve for humanity a nobler manhood, a more beautiful womanhood, and a happier childhood."

From Samuel Gompers, "The Laborer's Right to Life," printed in *American Federationist*, September 1894

DOCUMENT 7

Attention Workingmen!

MASS-MEETING

TO-NIGHT, at 7.30 o'clock,

HAYMARKET, Randolph St., Bet. Desplaines and Halsted.

Good Speakers will be present to denounce the latest atrocious act of the police, the shooting of our fellow-workmen yesterday afternoon.

Workingmen Arm Yourselves and Appear in Full Force!

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Achtung, Arbeiter!

Große

Massen-Versammlung

Heute Abend, 7 1/2 Uhr, auf dem

Seumarkt, Randolph Straße, zwischen Desplaines u. Halsted Str.

⚔ Gute Redner werden den neuesten Schurkenstreich der Polizei, indem sie gestern Nachmittag unsere Brüder erschöß, gelohn.

⚔ Arbeiter, bewaffnet Euch und erscheint massenhaft!

Das Executiv-Comite.

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