Oral Comprehension

General Comprehension

- 1 This podcast speak about the Urbanization of America in the nineteen century.
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- 5 Riis's goal was to aware the population of the terrible condition that many urban Americans where experiencing.
- 6 In 1901, the tenement house laws was passed which allow the construction of many tenements. 200 000 new apartments in 15 years.
- 7 Most cities still have a lot of sanitation issues, for example they can't supply safe drinking water. And people usually threw their garbage out of the windows.
- 8 The Health education public hygiene began in Ontario.

Fill in the Blanks

According to history.com a typical tenement building had five to seven stories and they had less than a foot of space between buildings. Because of this, little air and light could get in. But thankfully, in 1889, photographer Jacob Riis wrote *How the other half lives*, an expose on the conditions of tenement. Jacob photographed the things he saw on the tenements, including tenements had held three or more families, rooms with no ventilation, housing that spread into backyard area, in cramp, unsafe corners. Other things he included was that the infant death rate in the tenements was as high as one in ten.

Vocabulary

- 1 To outlaw: a fugitive from the law
- 2 Sewer: "Egouts" in french, underground pipe for trash water