

Industrial Revolution: Capitalism vs. Communism Editorial

The Industrial Revolution led to some very dramatic changes in the way people lived and the way they thought about themselves and the world around them. You are a newspaper reporter in the late 1800s in England, investigating the problems of the new, crowded, industrial cities, and severe poverty is the greatest problem you encounter.

You have decided to write an editorial in which you propose how best to deal with these social problems using the ideas of **one** of the following political ideologies: capitalism or communism (Marxism). You will argue that using one of these philosophies will best solve the problem of poverty and improve or better industrial society. Your paper should have the following format:

- Write a strong introduction including the background of the time period and the issues at hand, a strong thesis, and a preview of your evidence.
- Next, present **two** convincing arguments with effective **evidence using quotes** to support your philosophy's beliefs.
- Then write a **counterargument** in which you explain why the other philosophies will not solve the problem.
- End with a strong conclusion. Your conclusion should restate your thesis in a different way, summarize the highlights of your evidence, and answer the "So What" question.