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## Revolutionary Words

**Directions:** Read the passage below carefully. Pay attention to the **bolded words**; these are important historical terms. Match each term with the correct definition from the list provided. Use context clues from the passage to guide your choices.

### The Industrial Revolution in Britain

During the late 18th and early 19th centuries, Britain experienced a major transformation known as the **Industrial Revolution**. New **factories** were built that used machines powered by **steam engines** to produce goods faster and in greater quantities. This shift led many people to leave rural villages and move into crowded **urban** areas in search of work. However, working conditions were often harsh, with long hours and unsafe environments. Laborers, including children, worked in dangerous jobs until reformers pushed for new **legislation** to protect workers' rights. While the Industrial Revolution brought significant challenges, it also fueled advances in technology, transportation, and global trade.

Match each historical term with the correct definition:

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| _____ 1. Industrial Revolution | A. Laws or rules created by governments                                       |
| _____ 2. Factories             | B. Areas with many people, buildings, and businesses (often cities)           |
| _____ 3. Steam engines         | C. Period of major change when production shifted from hand tools to machines |
| _____ 4. Urban                 | D. Buildings where workers and machines produce goods                         |
| _____ 5. Legislation           | E. Engines powered by heated water, used to run machines and trains           |



**Reflection Question:** How did these historical terms help shape the overall meaning of the passage? Write 2-3 sentences explaining.