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Inventor Connections Answer Key

1. D - Electric light bulb
2. B - Cotton gin
3. G - Telephone
4. A - Steam engine improvements
5. C - Telegraph and Morse code
6. E - Steel production process
7. F - Steamboat
8. H - Steam locomotive

Teacher's Guide

- **Differentiation Tips:**
 - For younger or struggling readers, provide images of each invention alongside the text.
 - For advanced students, include one or two lesser-known inventors (like Nikola Tesla or Cyrus McCormick) as bonus challenges.
- **Engagement Ideas:**
 - Have students create short "inventor trading cards" with drawings, invention names, and historical impacts.
 - Conduct a quick class "speed match" activity-students move around pairing inventors and inventions in real time.
- **Extension Activities:**
 - Ask students to write a short paragraph explaining how one invention changed everyday life during the Industrial Revolution.
 - Encourage group discussion on which invention they think had the greatest long-term impact and why.