Modern European History

Unit 7 - Nation-Building and War

History As Mystery – Factory Work

**TASK:** *You are going to be a history detective today. Your mission is to solve the mystery question. To do so, you will be given a set of clues. You must gather information from these clues that will help you solve the mystery. Once you have analyzed all the clues you must come up with a hypothesis that solves the mystery.*

**Mystery *What effect did British industrialization have on the average factory worker?***

**Question:**

**STEP 1:** There are several “clue locations” around the room that include information directly related to the mystery. You and the members of your group will be given 5 minutes to visit each location, where you will analyze the information in search of valuable clues. Write this information in the space provided on the “Data Collection” sheet.

**STEP 2:** After you have visited each of the “clue locations” you and the members of your group will create a hypothesis based on the information you gathered that solves the mystery question. This hypothesis must be backed with information from the clue locations. You will write this in the space provided on the “Hypothesis” sheet.

**STEP 4:** Each group will write their hypothesis and I will write them on the board so we may discuss them as a whole class activity, determining which is the best solution.

***Helpful Hint:*** *When taking notes at each location, you should address the following (when*

*applicable):*

*What were cities like?*

*What was the effect of factory work on women?*

*What was the effect of factory work on children?*

*What was work like in the factory?*

*Other (Any information that doesn’t fit in the other categories)*