Steam and You!

How Steam Engines Helped The United States To Expand Reading

How Is Steam Used To Help People? (Please fill in any blank spaces as you read)

Have you ever observed steam, also known as water vapor? For centuries, people have observed steam and how it moves. Describe steam on the line below. Does it rise or fall?

Steam is ______ and it ___________. When lots of steam moves into a pipe, it creates pressure that can be used to move things. Inventors discovered about 300 years ago that they could use steam to power machines. These machines have transformed human life. Steam is used today to help power ships and to spin large turbines that generate electricity for millions of people throughout the world. The steam engine was one of the most important inventions of the Industrial Revolution that occurred about from about 1760 to 1840. The Industrial Revolution was a time when machine technology rapidly changed society. Steam engines were used to power train locomotives, steamboats, machines in factories, equipment in mines, and even automobiles before other kinds of engines were invented.

Boiling water in a tea kettle produces steam. Steam can power a steam engine.

A steamboat uses a steam engine to turn a paddlewheel to move the boat.

A steam locomotive was powered when coal or wood was burned inside it to boil water to make steam. The steam powered the engine of the locomotive.

A steam turbine is a large metal cylinder with large fan blades that can spin when steam flows through its blades. When it spins fast, it can generate electricity. The metal cover of this one is off.
WHY Were People Searching For An Easier Way To Do Work?

Before steam-powered engines were invented, factories and mills were powered by people, horses, water, or wind. Before steam-powered engines, people had to work (or labor) much harder to get things done. For example, many people once used spinning wheels to spin wool and cotton by hand to make thread. They used the thread to weave cloth by hand using looms. This work was very time consuming and difficult. Horses, mules, camels, and other animals were once used to transport goods in most parts of the world. Animals carrying heavy loads moved slowly and the animals needed frequent breaks and lots of care to stay in good working condition.

Do you prefer to work hard or to use machines? Write your answer on the lines below.
_________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________

For centuries, both water and wind-powered machines helped people get work done. However, both water and wind-powered machines were unreliable. Factories powered by river water had to be located near a river, and sometimes the rivers would dry up during summer droughts. During the winter, the river water would freeze and would not turn the water wheel. Similarly, windmills used the wind to help grind wheat into flour, but the wind didn’t always blow. Steam power, on the other hand, made it possible for factories to be located anywhere. Steam could provide power all year, day or night. It was more reliable.

The power of the wind moved windmills that were used to grind wheat into flour or to pump water.

A water wheel turned by water flowing in a river helps grind wheat into flour inside this mill.

In England in the 1600s, coal found underground was mined and burned to heat homes and to make iron. Coal became an important fuel because it burned longer than wood, and trees were becoming scarce in England. Back then, horses and mules were used to carry buckets of water out of flooded coal mines. Several inventors in England realized that if they could develop a better way to drain water out of coal mines or to transport goods and people, they would become wealthy. So they began thinking of ways they could use steam to power engines and machines that could be used in mines and to transport people and goods.
Who Invented The Steam Engine?

Inventors in England were the first to build steam engines. Thomas Savery in England invented a steam-powered water pump about 1698, but it wasn't very useful. Later a more useful steam engine was invented in 1712 to pump water out of coal mines. In 1778, James Watt designed steam engines that were smaller and used less coal, which meant the engines were more efficient. By the early 1800s, Watt’s steam engines were used in factories throughout England. The unit of power we use today, the watt, was named after him. He also used the term "horsepower" to describe how much power his engine could produce. He compared the power of his engine to how much power horses could produce.

WHERE Was The Steam Engine Used?

Throughout the 1800s, steam engines were improved and their use slowly spread from England to Europe and America and then around the world. Designers made steam engines smaller and more efficient. Steam engines were used in factories and mills to power machines of all types. Other steam engines were used to power train locomotives, steamboats, and automobiles. Later, steam was used to spin turbines that generated electricity.

HOW Does The Steam Engine Work?

To create the steam inside a steam engine, coal or wood was burned under tanks of water to make the water boil. The hot steam created by the boiling water went into a pipe or pipes where it built up pressure and moved a piston or pistons. The movement of the piston was used to turn a wheel that powered a machine. Then the steam was quickly released from the pipe, and the piston moved back to its original position. This cycle was repeated over and over again to turn the wheels of the locomotive.

Diagram Showing How A Steam Train Locomotive Engine Works

Coal is burned to boil water to make steam. The steam goes into a pipe and builds up enough pressure to move a piston. The piston moves a crankshaft that moves the train wheels on the locomotive. When the steam in the pipe is released, the piston moves back to its original position. This cycle is repeated over again and again to turn the wheels of the locomotive.
Student Worksheet for Steam and You! Reading

PART 1 Directions: Read “Steam and You!” and circle the best answer for the following questions:

1.) What new source of power was used during the Industrial Revolution?
   a.) Water
c.) Horse
d.) Steam
e.) Nuclear

2.) What was the Industrial Revolution?
   a.) A time when people revolted against industry
   b.) A time when machine technology changed rapidly
c.) A time when industries revolted against technology
d.) A time when there were no factories or machines
e.) All of the above

3.) What was a problem for factories that were powered by water or by wind?
   a.) Rivers could dry up during droughts
   b.) The wind didn’t always blow
c.) Rivers could freeze during cold months
d.) Water-powered factories had to be located near a river
e.) All of the above

PART 2 Directions: Complete the sentence stems below:

4.) Before steam engines were invented, factories and mills were powered by

5.) Four ways steam engines were used in the past were

6.) Two ways steam is used for power today are

7.) Two fuels that were burned to boil the water in steam engines in the past were
8.) Read the caption of the diagram of how a steam train locomotive works. **Fill in the blank spaces** below to describe how steam moves a train locomotive.

**A steam train locomotive is powered when** ________________ is burned to boil __________ to make ________________. The ________________ goes into a pipe and builds up enough pressure to move a ________________. The ________________ moves a crankshaft that moves the ________________ on the ________________. When the steam in the pipe is released, the ________________ moves back to its original position. This ________________ is repeated over again and again.

9.) **Draw** a windmill in the space below.

10.) **Vocabulary Matching.** Match the vocabulary words to their definitions. You may use the Key Vocabulary and Definitions sheet to help you.

___ reliable
___ steam engine
___ Industrial Revolution
___ train locomotive
___ steamboat
___ technology
___ turbine
___ piston

A.) a boat powered by a steam engine
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C.) a large metal cylinder with fan blades that steam can spin to make electricity
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E.) an engine powered by steam
F.) a train car containing an engine that moves the train
G.) when machine technology rapidly changed society
H.) ways people make things that are useful

11.) In what country did inventors first build steam engines?

12.) Using the World Map that is attached, **circle the country** where the first steam engines were invented, and write the country’s name at the top of the map with an arrow pointing to its location. You may use a map in the classroom to help you if you don’t know where it is.
Steam Engines and the Expansion of the U.S. Reading

How Did The Invention Of The Steam Engine Influence The Expansion Of The U.S.?

The United States grew rapidly after James Watt designed his steam engine in 1778. Steam engines were used to power steamboats and train locomotives. This allowed people to travel faster than ever before. In 1807, Robert Fulton built the first steamboat in the U.S. that sailed up the Hudson River from New York City to Albany, N.Y. Steamboats allowed people to travel upstream on rivers as well as downstream, which made transportation much faster and easier. The steam engine moved a paddlewheel that moved the boat in the water.

A picture of the first steamboat in the U.S. in 1807

Steam locomotives and railroads began to be built in the U.S. in the 1830s. The first Transcontinental Railroad was completed in 1869. It was the first railroad to cross the entire United States and allowed people to travel by train from New York to San Francisco in only six days. Before railroads were built, it took about 5 months for people to travel halfway across the United States from Missouri to California in wagons pulled by oxen. By 1890, the U.S. had 163,562 miles of railroads. The construction of railroads enabled the rapid movement of people and goods to many parts of the U.S. The U.S. economy expanded rapidly as the numbers of people, farms, factories, cities, and states increased.

A steam locomotive in the U.S. in the 1860s
How Did The Expansion Of Railroads Affect The Economy In The U.S.?

The expansion of railroads and the use of steamboats expanded the U.S. economy because they both made it easier to transport people and goods over long distances. The expansion of railroads stimulated the growth of the iron and steel industries because iron, and later steel rails, were used to make the tracks. Railroads also required large amounts of wood for railroad ties placed under the rails. Large amounts of coal had to be mined to power steamboats and train locomotives. As railroads brought more immigrant farmers to more parts of the country, the number of farms increased. More food became available that could be transported more quickly over longer distances by steamboats and trains. This enabled cities to grow larger and the population of the U.S. to grow rapidly.

How Did The Expansion Of Railroads Affect Different People In The U.S.?

American Civil War veterans, immigrants from Ireland, and thousands of workers from China built the first Transcontinental Railroad that crossed the United States. Chinese workers were such good workers that railroad companies sent recruiters to China to find more Chinese workers to work on the railroad. Many of these Chinese workers decided to stay in the U.S. and became U.S. citizens.

Before railroads expanded, many American Indian tribes on the Great Plains hunted buffalo to survive. They used all parts of the buffalo.

While the expansion of railroads and the use of steamboats benefited many Americans, it hurt many American Indian tribes living in the Great Plains; like the Sioux, the Cheyenne, and the Lakota tribes. These tribes hunted buffalo to survive. As railroads expanded on the Great Plains, millions of buffalo were killed by hunters who traveled on the railroads. Many of these hunters made money selling buffalo hides. Railroad companies wanted to decrease the numbers of buffalo because sometimes buffalo wandered onto the train tracks and were hit by trains. The U.S. government wanted American Indian tribes to sign treaties to stay on reservation lands, but often these lands were far away from buffalo herds. As a result, the lives of many American Indians were made worse by the expansion of the railroads.
**Student Worksheet for Steam Engines and the Expansion of the U.S. Reading**

**Directions:** Examine the table below to answer the 3 questions below.

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1.) Which region in the U.S. had **the most** miles of railroads in **1850**? ____________

2.) Which region in the U.S. had **the most** miles of railroads in **1890**? ____________

3.) Based on your answers to questions #1 and #2 above, **which region** of the country do you think grew the most between 1850 and 1890?

4.) **Use the information in the table below** and the grid on the back side of this sheet to create a bar graph that will illustrate the growth in the **Total Miles of Railroads in the U.S. from 1830 to 1890**. Each small rectangle on the grid will equal 10,000 miles of railroad.

**Number of Miles of Railroads in the U.S. per decade from 1830 to 1890**

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**ARIZONA GEOGRAPHIC ALLIANCE**
USE THE GRID BELOW to CREATE YOUR GRAPH for question #4

Directions:
Each small rectangle represents 10,000 miles of railroad.
Use the information **in the table on the back side** of this sheet and scrap paper to **round** the total number of miles of railroad for each year to the nearest 10,000. **Hint:** You round the one thousands place down to 0 if the number is 4 or less. You round the thousands place up to the next ten thousands place if the number in the thousands place is more than 5.
Examples: 2,755 rounds down to 0. 8,571 rounds up to 10,000.

Then **divide** each rounded number by 10,000 to find the total number of rectangles to color.
**Color in the correct number of small rectangles for each year.** Use the left column for a guide.

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5.) Look at the two maps below showing **railroads** in the U.S. in 1860 and in 1890. Describe the most important differences you see.

6.) **Why** do you think there are **fewer miles** of railroads in 1890 in states like **Nevada, Wyoming, and Arizona** and **more railroads** in states like **Illinois, Iowa, Indiana, and Ohio**? Write reasons for your answer.
7.) **Using the four sentence stems below**, write at least 4 sentences that describe **some of the benefits** and **some of the problems** that resulted from the use of steam engines. Mention how American Indians viewed the expansion of railroads in the U.S. You may re-read the information in the handout to help you write about this topic.

a.) One of the benefits that resulted from the use of steam engines was

b.) Another benefit was that

c.) Steam engines also helped people because

d.) American Indians were hurt by the expansion of the railroads because

8.) Next to each vocabulary word below, write a sentence using the word.

**reliable** –

steam engine –

**Industrial Revolution** –

train locomotive –

steamboat –

technology –

turbine -

piston –
Steam and You Quiz

PART 1 Directions: Circle the best answer for the following questions:

1.) What new source of power was used during the Industrial Revolution?
   a.) Water
   b.) Steam
   c.) Horse
   d.) Wind
   e.) Nuclear

2.) What was the Industrial Revolution?
   a.) A time when people revolted against industry
   b.) A time when industries revolted against technology
   c.) A time when there were no factories or machines
   d.) A time when machine technology changed rapidly
   e.) All of the above

3.) What was a problem for factories that were powered by water or by wind?
   a.) Rivers could dry up during droughts.
   b.) The wind didn’t always blow.
   c.) Rivers could freeze during cold months.
   d.) Water-powered factories had to be located near a river.
   e.) All of the above

PART 2 Directions: Complete the sentence stems below:

4.) Before steam engines were invented, factories and mills were powered by

5.) Two ways steam engines were used in the past were

6.) One way steam is used for power today is

7.) Two fuels that were burned to boil the water in steam engines in the past were
8.) **Use the words below to fill in the blank spaces** below to describe how steam moves a train locomotive. (Hint: the word “piston” is used 3 times).

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When the steam in the pipe is released, the ________________ moves back to its original position. This ____________ is repeated over again and again.

9.) **Draw** a windmill in the space below.

10.) **Vocabulary Matching.** Match the vocabulary words with their definitions.

___ reliable  
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___ steamboat  
___ Industrial Revolution  
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A.) a boat powered by a steam engine  
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F.) a train car containing an engine that moves the train  
G.) when machine technology rapidly changed society  
H.) ways people make things that are useful

11.) In what country did inventors first build steam engines?
Quiz for Steam Engines and the Expansion of the U.S.  Name_____________

DIRECTIONS: Using the four sentence stems below, write at least 4 sentences that describe some of the benefits and some of the problems that resulted from the use of steam engines. Mention how American Indians viewed the expansion of railroads in the U.S.

1.) One of the benefits that resulted from the use of steam engines was

2.) Another benefit of steam engines was that

3.) Steam engines helped the United States to expand because

4.) American Indians were hurt by the expansion of the railroads because

5.) Does new technology benefit people, harm people, or both?  Give reasons for your answer.

DIRECTIONS: Next to each vocabulary word below, write a sentence using the word.

6.) reliable –

7.) steam engine –

8.) Industrial Revolution –

9.) train locomotive –

10.) steamboat –

11.) technology –

12.) turbine -

13.) piston –

ARIZONA GEOGRAPHIC ALLIANCE
Answer Key: Steam and You! How Steam Engines Helped The United States To Expand

P1 HOW Is Steam Used To Help People? (Please fill in any blank spaces as you read)
Have you ever observed steam, also known as water vapor? For centuries, people have observed steam and how it moves. Describe steam on the line below. Does it rise or fall?

Students may have variety of answers, including that steam is hot and it rises.

Steam is __hot__ and it __rises__.

P2 WHY Were People Searching For An Easier Way To Do Work?
Do you prefer to work hard or to use machines? Write your answer on the lines below.

Student answers will vary, but most will say they prefer to use machines.

Answer Key: Student Worksheet for Steam and You!

1. What new source of power was used during the Industrial Revolution?
   a.) Water
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PART 2 Directions: Complete the sentence stems below:
4. Before steam engines were invented, factories and mills were powered by __people, horses, water, or wind__.
5. Four ways steam engines were used in the past were
to power machines, steamboats, train locomotives, and automobiles (and equipment in mines).
6. Two ways steam is used for power today are to power ships and to generate electricity.
7. Two fuels that were burned to boil the water in steam engines in the past were wood and coal.

8. Fill in the blank spaces below to describe how steam moves a train locomotive.

A steam train locomotive is powered when ___coal or wood___ is burned to boil ___water___ to make _______steam____. The _______steam____ goes into a pipe and builds up enough pressure to move a ____piston____. The ____piston____ moves a crankshaft that moves the _____wheels____ on the __train__ locomotive____.

When the steam in the pipe is released, the ____piston____ moves back to its original position. This ___cycle___ is repeated over again and again.

9. Draw a water wheel and a windmill in the space below. Drawings will vary

10. Vocabulary Matching. Match the vocabulary words with their definitions by writing the letter of the correct definition on the space next to each word. You may use Vocabulary Sheet.

   B) reliable
   E) steam engine
   G) Industrial Revolution
   F) train locomotive
   A) a boat powered by a steam engine
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   G) when machine technology rapidly changed society
   D) piston
   H) ways people make things that are useful

11. In what country did inventors first build steam engines? England

12. Using the World Map that is attached, circle the country where the first steam engines were invented and write its name at the top of the map with an arrow pointing to its location. You may use a map in the classroom to help you if you don't know where it is. Students should circle England on the world map.
**ANSWER KEY**  Student Worksheet for Steam Engines and the Expansion of the U.S.

1.) Which region in the U.S. had the most miles of railroads in 1850?
   The East.

2.) Which region in the U.S. had the most miles of railroads in 1890?
   The West.

3.) Based on your answers to questions #1 and #2 above, which region of the country do you think grew the most between 1850 and 1890?
   Based on the increase of the miles of railroads, the West grew the most.

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5.) Look at the two maps below showing railroads in the U.S. in 1860 and in 1890. (p. 3)
Describe the most important differences you see.
There are many more miles of railroads in 1890 than in 1860. The railroads extend across the entire U.S. from coast to coast in 1890, but not in 1860.
6.) Why do you think there are fewer miles of railroads in 1890 in states like Nevada, Wyoming, and Arizona and more railroads in states like Illinois, Iowa, Indiana, and Ohio?
Write reasons for your answer.
Answers will vary. Nevada, Wyoming, and Arizona have drier climates and fewer farms than Illinois, Iowa, Indiana, and Ohio. There were more people living in Illinois, Iowa, Indiana and Ohio. There are more mountains in Nevada, Wyoming, and Arizona than in Illinois, Iowa, Indiana, and Ohio.
7.) Using the four sentence stems below, write at least 5 sentences that describe (p.4)
some of the benefits and some of the problems that resulted from the use of steam engines. Mention how American Indians viewed the expansion of railroads in the U.S.
a.) One of the benefits that resulted from the use of steam engines was transportation became easier and faster. (or steam machines could do more work for people and more goods could be produced for less money)
b.) Another benefit of steam engines was that steam machines could do more work for people and more goods could be produced for less money (or transportation became easier)
c.) Steam engines helped the United States to expand because transportation improved, the number of farms increased, the food supply increased, population increased, and cities grew. The steel industry also grew to make rails for the railroad.
d.) American Indians were hurt by the expansion of the railroads because the railroads traveled through American Indian lands and they were forced to move to Indian reservations. Buffalo were vitally important to American Indians but railroads encouraged the hunting of buffalo almost to extinction.
e.) Answers will vary but might include: Better transportation increased the number of farms which made more food available and this made the population grow.
8.) Next to each vocabulary word below, write a sentence using the word.
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steam engine – Possible answer: Many machines and vehicles were powered by steam engines.
Industrial Revolution – Possible answer: Many machines were invented during the Industrial Revolution.
train locomotive – Possible answer: The train locomotive was pulling a long train.
steamboat – Possible answer: I have always wanted to ride on a steamboat.
technology – Possible answer: The technology we have today is better than the technology people had 100 years ago.
turbine - Possible answer: Steam can turn a turbine that can generate electricity.
piston – Possible answer: A piston is shaped like a cylinder.
**Answer Key for Steam and You! Quiz**

All Questions are 4 points each, EXCEPT for #8 (3 points for each word) and #11 (4 points for each vocabulary word). TOTAL is 102 points.

1.) What **new** source of power was used during the Industrial Revolution?
   a.) Water  
   b.) **Steam**  
   c.) Horse  
   d.) Wind  
   e.) Nuclear

2.) What was the **Industrial Revolution**?
   a.) A time when people revolted against industry  
   b.) A time when industries revolted against technology  
   c.) A time when there were no factories or machines  
   d.) A time when machine technology changed rapidly  
   e.) All of the above

3.) What was a problem for factories that were powered by water or by wind?
   f.) Rivers could dry up during droughts  
   g.) The wind didn’t always blow  
   h.) Rivers could freeze during cold months  
   i.) Water-powered factories had to be located near a river  
   j.) All of the above

**PART 2 Directions:** Complete the sentence stems below:

4.) Before steam engines were invented, factories and mills were powered by **people, horses, water, or wind.**

5.) Two ways steam engines were used in the past were **to power machines, steamboats, train locomotives, automobiles, or equipment in mines.**

6.) One way steam is used for power today is **to power ships or to generate electricity.**

7.) Two fuels that were burned to boil the water in steam engines in the past were **wood and coal.**

8.) Use the words below to fill in the blank spaces below to describe how steam moves a train locomotive. (Hint: the word “piston” is used 3 times).

   **piston**  **wheels**  **cycle**  **water**  **locomotive**  **steam**  **coal**

A steam train locomotive is powered when **coal** is burned to boil **water** to make ________ **steam**. The ________ **steam** goes into a pipe and builds up enough pressure to move a ________ **piston**. The ________ **piston** moves a crankshaft that moves the ________ **wheels** on the ________ **train, locomotive**.

When the steam in the pipe is released, the ________ **piston** moves back to its original position. This ________ **cycle** is repeated over again and again.
9.) **Draw** a windmill in the space below.

10.) **Vocabulary Matching.**

   - **B** reliable
   - **D** piston
   - **F** train locomotive
   - **A** steamboat
   - **G** Industrial Revolution
   - **C** turbine
   - **H** technology
   - **E** steam engine

   A.) a boat powered by a steam engine  
   B.) dependable  
   C.) a large metal cylinder with fan blades that steam can spin to make electricity  
   D.) a short cylinder moved back and forth by steam or another expanding gas inside an engine creating power  
   E.) an engine powered by steam  
   F.) a train car containing an engine that moves the train  
   G.) when machine technology rapidly changed society  
   H.) ways people make things that are useful

11.) In what country did inventors first build steam engines?  
**England**
ANSWER KEY for Quiz for Steam Engines and the Expansion of the U.S.
Questions 1-5 are 5 points each, sentences for 6-13 are 3 points each. Total = 49 points

1.) One of the benefits that resulted from the use of steam engines was transportation became easier and faster. (or steam machines could do more work for people and more goods could be produced for less money)

2.) Another benefit of steam engines was that steam machines could do more work for people and more goods could be produced for less money (or transportation became easier)

3.) Steam engines helped the United States to expand because they made transportation easier, the number of farms increased, the food supply increased, the population increased, and cities grew. The steel industry also grew.

4.) American Indians were hurt by the expansion of the railroads because the railroads traveled through American Indian lands and they were forced to move to Indian reservations. Buffalo were vitally important to American Indians but railroads encouraged the hunting of the buffalo almost to extinction.

5.) Does new technology benefit people, harm people, or both? Give examples.
Possible answer: New technology usually benefits people, but new technology can also be used to harm people. An example is how the expansion of railroads in the U.S. made life more difficult for American Indians. Another example is the internet. The internet usually benefits people, but the internet can also be used to harm people.

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