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Useful Books...



Sticky Knowledge Year 3 History Autumn 1



A young children working in a cotton mill

What was Blackburn like in the past?

Blackburn was a thriving mill town in the 18 and 19th century. It produced textiles such as cotton and calico. Blackburn was also damp and smoky because of the mills and factories.



Flying Shuttle

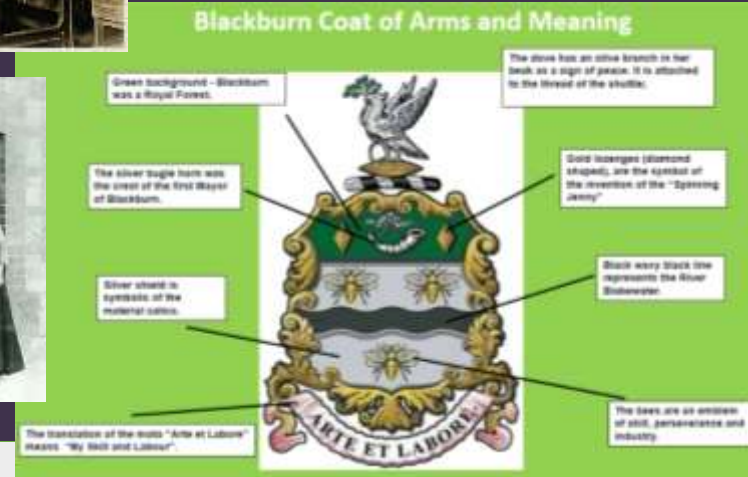


The Spinning Jenny

Frederick Kempster
The Blackburn Giant



Key Vocabulary



Can you share three facts about Frederick John Kempster. He was born 13th April 1889 in London. He was known as The English Giant or The Blackburn Giant. He was 7ft 9inches tall. He died 15th April 1918 aged 29 and is buried in Blackburn Cemetery.

What were the cotton mills like? The mills were very noisy and dangerous places to work due to the machinery. The mills were very hot and humid places this kept the cotton in good condition

What was life like for a working Victorian child?

Most Victorian children in Blackburn were very poor and had to go to work every day. They went to work from the age of 5 and worked for 12 hours a day.

Why jobs did the children do in the cotton mills?

Scavenger -The children would crawl under the machinery picking up cotton.
Piecer- The children would tie loose threads together.

Vocabulary	Definition
Locality	A neighbourhood or area.
Community	A group of people who live in the same area or have something in common.
County	An area of a country which usually includes several towns and countryside.
Century	One hundred years
Textiles	A type of cloth
Spinning	A process used to obtain cotton from the cotton place.
Weaving	Two different sets of yarns or threads connected to form a fabric or cloth.
Piecer	Children leaned over the moving machinery tying loose threads together.
Scavenger	Young children collecting loose cotton from under a working machine.