



Speaker 1: During 1800s everything was changing and was changed in a much more rapid rate than had been previously experienced in the western world. The science has shed more light and stirred up more controversy on the known world and the industrial revolution that started in the 1700s grew more and more creating more jobs and more cities and more change. Populations from the rural areas flocked to the cities, creating overcrowding and stretching inadequate infrastructure beyond its limit and creating a huge social impact.

It was during this era that slums developed. With all this change, government changed too as the power of the people expanded and the power of monarchs eroded. During this era, the roots of socialism and communism began and democracy continued to evolve. Exploration of the globe continued leaving fewer and fewer places that had been untouched by man. This exploration brought Westerners in contact with exotic places, people, and flora and fauna.

Transportation methods expanded with railways and steamer ships allowing cargo and people greater access to more places. The Telegraph helped facilitate communication and the colonization of Africa the Caribbean and South America was in full swing.

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