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**Georgia: Its Heritage and Its Promise**

**Chapter 21: The 1920s and the Coming of the Great Depression**

*Internet Activity*



In this lesson, you will explore websites to learn about child labor in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century.

**Instructions:** Click the links below and use the information from the websites to complete each item.

Visit [The History Place – Child Labor](#). Click “About These Photos” to read about the photographer, the photos, and child labor.

Return to the main page and scroll through the photos and read the captions. Click on any picture for a larger view.

1. What were the usual work hours for children during the late 1800s and early 1900s in American factories?  
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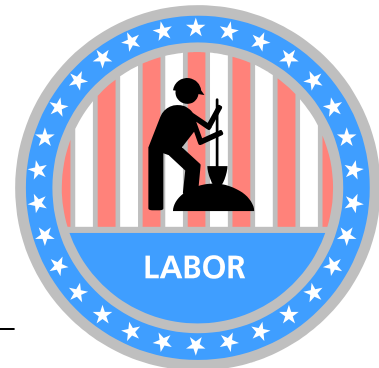
2. About how many hours per week did children and families work in these conditions? \_\_\_\_\_

3. According to the caption under “Group Portraits,” how much money might a youngster expect to earn for a day’s work? \_\_\_\_\_

Choose one set of pictures to answer the questions below.

4. To which category does your photo set belong (The Mill, Newsies, etc.)?  
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5. Write a sentence or two to “tell the story” of the photo set you have selected.  
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6. List two emotions that the photographer might have wanted to get from the viewers of his photographs.  
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If you think that laws passed in Washington, D.C. don't affect you, then take a look at this link to information about the [Fair Labor Standards Act](#). Read the rules for your age group and the Frequently Asked Questions.

7. What seem to be two purposes of the Fair Labor Standards Act as it relates to minors (children under 18 years old)?

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8. List three jobs that minors cannot have in the United States because they are considered to be too dangerous.

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9. What is a Youth Minimum Wage and how does it affect young workers?

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What are some of the laws about child labor in Georgia today? Click this link for the [Georgia Department of Labor](#).

10. List three laws that Georgia's employers must follow in the 21<sup>st</sup> century that did not protect youth in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century.

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11. Why do you think minors under the age of 16 are not allowed to work from 9:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.?

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