

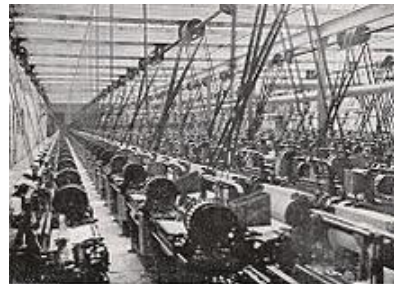
National Curriculum Objectives

- a study of an aspect of history or a site dating from a period beyond 1066 that is significant in the locality
- a local history study
- Pupils should continue to develop a chronologically secure knowledge and understanding of British, local and world history, establishing clear narratives within and across the periods they study. They should note connections, contrasts and trends over time and develop the appropriate use of historical terms. They should regularly address and sometimes devise historically valid questions about change, cause, similarity and difference, and significance. They should construct informed responses that involve thoughtful selection and organisation of relevant historical information. They should understand how our knowledge of the past is constructed from a range of sources.

Key words/phrases

- Set in New Mills
- Torr Vale Mill
- Water Wheel
- Steam engine
- Industrial Revolution
- Loom
- Cotton
- Apprentice

Knowledge organiser for a local history study



1760 – 1840 – Industrial Revolution

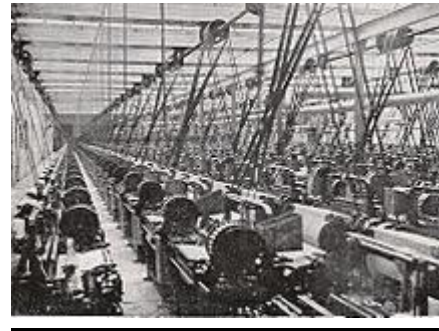
Built in 1780's
by Daniel
Strafford

Originally ran by
two water wheels,
using water from
the river Torr

Rebuilt in 1856
and then
powered by a
steam engine

Key Facts

Children as young as seven years old could be found working fourteen hours a day in the region's mills. Being small and nimble, they were given dangerous jobs such as climbing underneath moving machinery to remove any cotton pieces that had fallen below - this role was called being a 'scavenger'



Inside Torr Vale Mill



There were many rules to follow. Children worked as apprentices and if they were fined, then they had to work overtime to find the money.



The steam engine was created during the Industrial Revolution. In 1856, Torr Vale Mill was re-built and a steam engine replaced the two previous water

There were many injuries in the mill, as a result from the machinery used. Children particularly, were injured, because they had to scavenge under the machines.

