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Ch. 13 Section 2: Life in the Industrial North

**Read the text and answer the following questions.**

1. How did factory conditions worsen in the mid-1800s?

2. Why did factory owners hire entire families?

3. What kinds of dangers existed at factories?

4. How did the nature of work change for skilled workers?

5. Why did skilled workers form trade unions?

6. What were these unions’ demands?

7. What is a “strike”?

8. What kind of progress did skilled workers see in the 1840s?

9. What types of problems did women face in the workforce?

10. What is an immigrant?

11. How many immigrants came to the US in the 1840s and 1850s?

12. Why did 1.5 million Irish flee to the US between 1845 and 1865?

13. Where did they typically settle? Why?

14. Why did Germans emigrate to the US?

15. Who were nativists and what was their belief?

16. Why did nativists distrust immigrants?

17. What was the Know-Nothing Party?

18. What were conditions typically like for free blacks in the North? Explain—do not just say “bad”.