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GUIDED READING *The Expansion of Industry*

Section 1

After the Civil War, the United States was still a mostly rural nation. By the 1920s, it had become the leading industrial nation of the world. This immense change was caused by three major factors. Answer the questions for two of the factors.

➔ **Factor 1: Abundant Natural Resources**

1. Which resources played crucial roles in industrialization?	2. How did Edwin L. Drake help industry to acquire larger quantities of oil?	3. How did the Bessemer process allow better use of iron ore?	4. What new uses for steel were developed at this time?
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➔ **Factor 2: Increasing Number of Inventions**

5. How did Thomas Alva Edison contribute to this development?	6. How did George Westinghouse contribute to it?	7. How did Christopher Sholes contribute?	8. How did Alexander Graham Bell contribute?
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➔ **Factor 3: Expanding Urban Population**

Provided markets for new inventions and industrial goods	Provided a ready supply of labor for industry
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