1. Read the whole article, focusing on the section “The Economic Arguments…” and “The Standard of Living…” Don't forget to read the poem on the syllabus too.

2. The main takeaway here is that technological change really can, at least temporarily, reduce people's standard of living. And of course this has political consequences.

3. Give an example of a group of people who did better and a group of people who did worse (at least for a while) due to the Industrial Revolution. Explain why they did better or worse.