KS1 Manchester and Stockport's cotton industry

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A timeline to help us

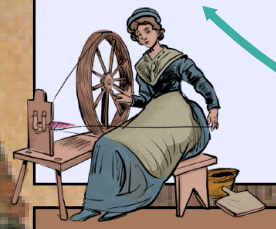
Cotton production in Manchester and Stockport has a long history dating back to the mid-18th century.

The first **cotton mill** in Stockport is thought to have been built in 1732, with the first in Manchester being later in the early 1780s.

2020s

1701 - 1800 '18th century'	1801 - 1900 '19th century'	1901 - 2000 '20th century'	2001 - 2100 '21st century'

Cotton production in Manchester can be dated back over **240 years**!





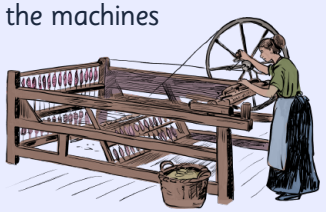
The Cotton Industry in Manchester and Stockport

This region was the **perfect location** for cotton mills. Its good climate, close to the west coast, made it ideal for **importing** and **exporting** goods.

During the Industrial Revolution, many **mills** and **factories** were built in the city, most of which produced **cotton**.

In Manchester and Stockport's cotton mills, it is thought that tens of thousands of people, including children, **worked long, dangerous and exhausting days**, providing the labour needed to keep the machines making cloth.

Many people moved from the countryside to the city to work in the factories.



Key history vocabulary to help us

textiles	**industry**	**century**	**yarn**
import	**export**	**spool**	**hybrid**
invention	**raw material**	**industrialisation**	**decline**

Manchester and Stockport today

The cotton industry in this region started to decline in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. Textile manufacturing still exists in Manchester, but not on the same industrial scale as in the past. Today, Manchester offers a vibrant living and working experience. There are many reminders of its cotton industry's past.

The Industrial Revolution

In the 18th century, Britain became a society based on **large manufacturing** in factories.

We call this the **Industrial Revolution**.

Machines were invented that could do jobs more quickly than humans.

These factories employed many people.

The Industrial Revolution changed Britain forever.

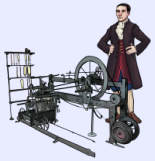
Important People



This is **James Hargreaves**. He invented the **spinning jenny**.



This is **Richard Arkwright**. He invented the **water frame**.



This is **Samuel Crompton**. He invented the **spinning mule**.