Unit 1 Assessment
What were the causes of the Industrial revolution?

The Industrial Revolution plays a key part in British history. The reason for this would be the way the country as a whole transformed hugely. In the 1700’s there were a lot of rural areas where many things were man made and the villagers relied on farmers and natural resources to live. However by the 1900’s it was a different story, rural areas were now urban and almost everything was made in factories from machines. Because of this the skies were almost always filled with smog caused by the modernisation that was taking place throughout the main parts of England. There were many causes to the Industrial Revolution some of them being wealth, transport, population, new technologies and work and jobs.

During the time of the Industrial Revolution Britain was experiencing huge extremes of both wealth and poverty. Because of this a lot of people were looking to come up with new inventions. The reason for this was by coming up with new inventions you were developing the society even more, therefore you earnt big money. By earning big money this meant that lots of people were keen to get involved. But there was a problem, not everyone was successful with this but those who were, were named entrepreneurs. Entrepreneurs were usually on the wealthy side of money and had good business minds. They were also willing to risk their money to make money, this shows a key strategy that enabled then to become wealthy. As we know not all people had the money to invest and gamble on which meant they were highly unlikely to succeed. However some people did fall successful and some creating things that are still used as typical British technologies today.

New Technologies were things that people relied on all the time, not just for money but for everyday uses such as getting around easier or