



Child Labor
Global Studies – Unit 2, Lesson 5

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What a cute picture!!

Can you imagine living in our country in the year 1820 when this would not have been possible?

I always like to tell my children that their job is school. But for many kids in the past, that was not an option.

Does child labor still exist?

Read on to learn more...





Your Objectives

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Your goals are to learn how to complete these objectives:

- **Define child labor**
- **Understand the causes of child labor**
- **Explore potential solutions to child labor**
- **Identify the rights granted to children in the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child**

Did you know that 246 million children are child laborers and that 73 million working children are less than 10 years old? In this lesson you will learn about the plight of child laborers and the types of rights that the UN has said belong to all children. Get ready to cover this very important story.

What is Child Labor?

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Assignment

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Do you currently work or do you plan to get a job soon? Would that constitute child labor?

What exactly is child labor?

You might be surprised to learn that an after-school job would not constitute child labor. Child labor is defined as work done by children under the age of 15, full time, and that can be hazardous to their well being. Child labor often includes not only physical, but also mental and emotional abuse.



Child laborers in U.S. textile factory, 1908.
NARA, Records of the Children's Bureau
(102-LH-440)

Child labor is a problem because children are forced to work long hours with very few breaks. They might take one or two breaks a day to eat or sleep. There is no time for T.V. or socializing in the life of a child laborer. In addition, children working under child labor are prevented from attending school and getting their education.

Many products that we use every day could be made by child labor. Everything from shirts, skirts, carpets and toys to diamonds and chocolate are the result of child labor. Much of the cocoa produced in West Africa is the result of the labor of a child who has been abused. And cocoa is the foundation for chocolate!

Your Work File

Open your Work File.
Then use the links on Page 2 to help you complete your assignment.



Your editor wants you to attend a news briefing about this very serious topic. It is important to ask all the right questions in order to dig up the facts that will help you put together your report. Use the work file provided to help you organize what you learn. [View work file without downloading file.](#)

- [Where is child labor a problem?](#)
- [What is the life of a child laborer like?](#)
- [Why does child labor exist?](#)
- [Is child labor legal?](#)
- [What can be done about child labor?](#)
- [What can kids do about child labor?](#)

Your Work File

Carefully complete the Work File for this lesson, using the links on Page 2. Take your time – there are 22 questions that need to be answered.

This is a 2 –part assignment:

1. You will use the Work File to complete a 10-question Essay Quiz. Remember, for Essay Questions, I am looking for full paragraph answers. This means each answer should be 5-8 sentences. Spelling & Grammar count!
2. #22 on your Work File explains the 2nd part of this assignment:
In a separate document or another medium, create a bumper sticker that communicates what you have learned about child labor. The message should be short and powerful with the aim of raising awareness about this serious issue. Refer to the Lesson Resource Packet found in the backpack for information about using the drawing feature found in most word processing programs.

Child Labor Work File

Part I Directions: Please answer the following questions thoroughly and completely, based upon the research you conducted for this story. Use complete sentences and be sure to answer all parts of each question.

1. What exactly is child labor?
2. Why is child labor a problem?
3. Describe the daily schedule of one of the child laborers. How does it compare to your own schedule?
4. Where is child labor a problem? Please discuss the types of child labor that exist in two of the countries you researched. (Remember that a country is different from a continent).
5. Please describe the "life story" of one of the child laborers you read about.
6. Please describe your personal reactions as you examined the photos of the child laborers.
7. What types of work do child laborers do? Please provide at least two specific examples.
8. What types of things are made with child labor? Please provide at least three specific examples.
9. Why does child labor exist? Please discuss at least two of the contributing factors.

Where is your rubric?

Always check the Grading Rubric to see what I expect for your assignment.

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Complete Your Work - there are two parts to this assessment.

- When you are sure you have met the learning goals and each grading requirement of this lesson, complete the **Child Labor** assessment in which you will be asked to answer ten questions randomly selected from the work file.
- Submit your bumper sticker in the **Child Labor Bumper Sticker** assessment on the following page.

[How will you be graded on this assessment?](#)

Are all necessary pages printed and placed in your notebook? Is all work saved on a floppy, zip disk, or CD?

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Part 1 – Worth 80 points:
I expect paragraph answers for the Essay Questions on the Quiz.

Child Labor	Student demonstrates understanding of the definition, causes, and possible solutions to child labor by answering each of ten short answer questions correctly (80 pts)	150
	Student submits bumper sticker that includes the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Image depicting issue surrounding child labor (35 pts)• Statement that demonstrates understanding of issues surrounding child labor (35 pts)	

Part 2 – Worth 70 points:
You will need to create the actual Bumper Sticker. I expect graphics/pictures here.

Quiz – Worth 80 Points

Remember – Essay Questions!
Please write a full paragraph for
each answer, 5-8 sentences 😊

Essay

Your teacher will grade your responses to questions 1–10 to ensure you receive proper credit for your answers.

1. What exactly is child labor? (5 points)


2. Describe the daily schedule of one of the child laborers. How does it compare to your own? (5 points)

3. Where is child labor a problem? Please discuss the types of child labor that exist in two of the countries you researched. (Remember that a country is different from a continent.) (5 points)

Child Labor Bumper Sticker

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 Your Bumper Sticker assessment is a portfolio item. When you are finished, please submit your work to your teacher in the drop box below. ▼



Drop Box

Complete and [submit the Child Labor Bumper Sticker assessment](#).

After you've double-checked the Rubric, and you've proofread your assignment for grammar and spelling, submit it into the Drop Box.

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