Important things....

- The most important thing in your home?
- The most important thing in your town?
- The most important thing in the world?

PLACES

WORLD HERITAGE SITES

Places that are of **OUTSTANDING UNIVERSAL VALUE**





So what is a UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE SITE?

a place that is really special and valuable to everyone

What is UNESCO?

The United Nations, Education, Scientific and Cultural Organisation

What is Heritage?

- Things from the past still important to us today.
- Things for us to pass on to the future - Important things

A World Heritage Site can be:

- Cultural to do with people, buildings or ways of life
- Natural to do with landscape scenery or nature
- Sometimes both





Great Wall of China



Over 12,00 miles long



Great Barrier Reef



 Largest coral reef in the world, over 400 types of coral and over 1,500 different types of fish!

Dubrovnik Old Town



 Dubrovnik is an old city on the Adriatic Sea coast in the extreme south of Croatia. In the middle ages it was an important city state

Grand Canyon



 Carved out by the Colorado River, the Grand Canyon (nearly 1,500 m deep) is the most spectacular gorge in the world.

Virunga National Park, Congo



The park has a huge variety of wildlife and habitats. There are mountain gorillas, 20,000 hippopotamuses live in the rivers and birds from Siberia spend the winter there

Stonehenge



Over 5,000 years old it is a circle of huge standing stones and one of the most famous prehistoric monuments in the world

Giant's Causeway



It is famous for its polygon shaped columns of layered basalt, caused by a volcano over 60 million years ago

Derwent Valley Mills







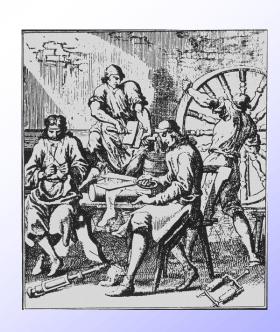


Why is this area of 'outstanding universal value' and a **WORLD HERITAGE SITE**?

Back in the 1700's men and women wore clothes and 'hose' made of silk, cotton or wool



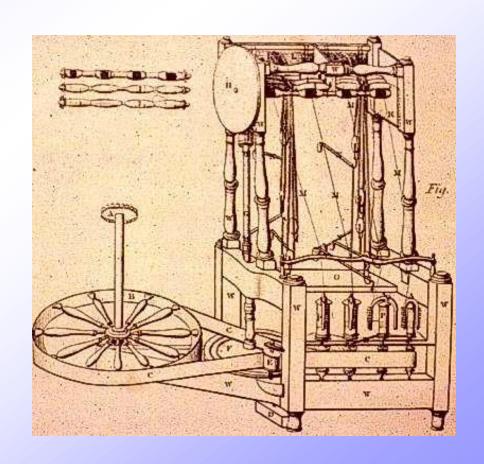




The 'yarn' or thread was spun and woven by hand in people's homes.

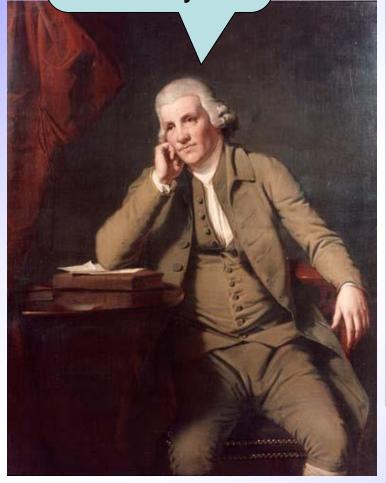
Got an invention. Got an idea.... Who will fund me?





Jedediah Strutt

Where shall we put the factory?



There's plenty of water supply for power – river, streams and soughs

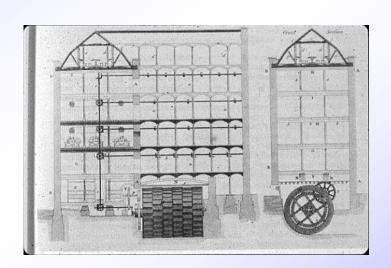
Lots of child labour!

Not too far from Derby where we can sell our yarn (and where you live!) In the Derwent Valley at Cromford:



Strutt's North Mill

- Jedediah Strutt built his own mills in Belper from 1776
- Problem the mills burnt down often, so in 1803 his William son used an iron frame to build a new one. It was really the world's first skyscraper!



Workers Way of Life

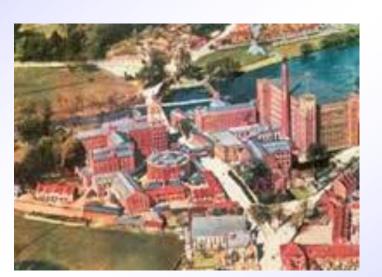
- Education School On Sundays on the top floor of the mill in the three 'R's for the mill's child employees
- Allotments to grow their own food
- Chapels to worship at home
- Parks for leisure activity
- Farms and Shops to spend their money

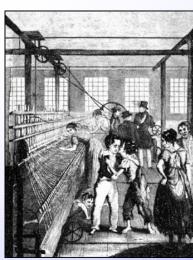


The factory system

It wasn't just the use of the water power that made these mills so famous and successful it was Arkwright's whole factory system which was copied everywhere!

- The machines, the mills, the buildings
- Water for power, the weirs and ponds
- The system to make things work, transport
- The way the people worked and lived





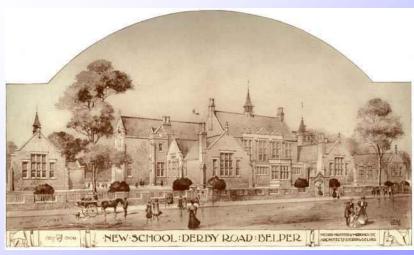


Houses, Roads, Canals, Railways, Schools.....Industrial Communities







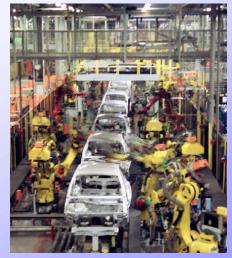


The Result: Cheaper clothes and household textiles and.....





The invention of a factory system copied throughout the world!



And it all started in the Derwent Valley!

