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**Modern World History**

**Sweatshops Today Essay**

For this assignment you will be assigned one nation to research. Your research should be on the working conditions for poor laborers in factories (often called sweatshops) or other industries within that nation. You need to focus on finding out details that include the following: wages, safety conditions, industries that employ large numbers of poor laborers, products produced (international companies that run these sweatshops), and hours per day or week they work. After discussing as many of these characteristics, you may also write about workers protesting these conditions if you find information about that.

You will be assigned one of the following nations to research:

* India
* Mexico
* China
* Dominican Republic
* Philippines
* Indonesia
* Nicaragua
* Vietnam

To conduct your research, first go to the “Library Internet Resources” link on the Waterford High School webpage. At least one of your sources needs to be from either Badgerlink, SIRS or Facts on File from this location. The other 2 sources can be from here as well, or can be gained directly from a web search. To search, you can use the following search terms to help you: sweatshop + (nation you were assigned). Some articles may be specific to the conditions in your particular country, but some may be about sweatshops around the world in general. For the general articles pull out the information specific to your country.

Be sure to provide a list of works cited with your sources used for the essay (at the end). All sources should be cited in proper MLA format. Also, use parenthetic citation at the end of each sentence within your essay that uses information from one of the sites.