

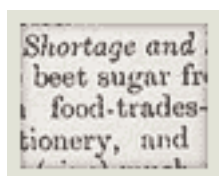
## Case study: THE WORKERS & THE WAR

As the war dragged on, it became an industrial war as well as a war of soldiers, sailors and pilots. The soldiers in the trenches needed guns, shells, uniforms and many other pieces of equipment.

This meant that Britain's industries had to produce what was needed. In this case study you will examine the contribution of workers to the war effort, and also how the war affected them.

### SOURCES:

Report on effects of war on economy, 1914



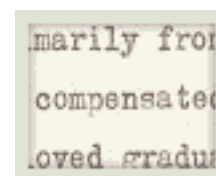
Cartoon on munitions production, 1916



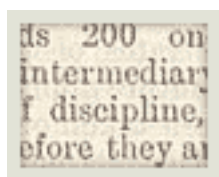
Photos of women in munitions industries



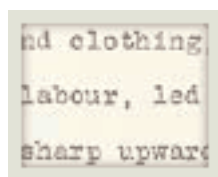
Report from the Mines Department, 1916



Employment of women in the RFC, 1917



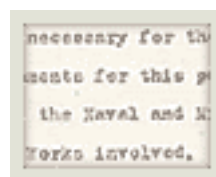
Report on cost of living during the war, 1917



Cartoon commenting on strikes, 1918



Report of Committee on Labour Troubles, 1918



### HOW TO USE THE SOURCES IN THIS CASE STUDY :

You can use these case study sources in two ways:

#### THE BIG QUESTION

The sources in this case study can help you by providing information you can use in your presentation. Study each source carefully. Note down anything which tells you about:

- How workers contributed to the war effort
- Relations between workers and employers and the government
- How the war affected workers' wages and working and living conditions

#### EXAM PRACTICE

If you want to get some practice on examination type questions, just go to or download the Practice Questions.

Don't forget – if there are words or phrases in the sources which you cannot understand, try the glossary!