

FINAL PRE-EXAM

How Towns Have Arisen

Most **villages** and towns on the British Isles *appeared* because of **their** favourable situation for trade. More than a hundred years ago, a great change came over the land. [Many machines were invented about that time]¹. Spinning and weaving, for example, which had previously *been* done **by** hand, were done by machinery that were driven by water or steam-power.

The work which usually was *done* in the houses of the people began to be carried on in large mills or factories, and workers found it convenient to live near them.

[More and more factories were built]² and men and **women** left the country districts in great numbers and crowded into towns.

Since then the movement of people into towns has been going on until now. All over Britain, there *are* mining and manufacturing areas, such as the Lancashire cotton district, the Black county of Midland, and others. Many towns are found close together in those districts and many people *live* within a small area, so that the population is very **dense**.

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<http://englishstandarts.blogspot.com.ar/2012/06/passive-voice-texts-proverbs-and.html>]

(A) Classify the 6 words in **bold** type.

(B) Make questions for the following underlined answers

1. More than a hundred years ago, a great change came over the land

2. Many people live within a small area

(C) Describe the verbs in *italics* in detail. In the case of transitive and intransitive verbs, mention the number and type of participants they select.

1. Appeared

2. Been

3. Done

4. Are

5. Live

(D) Describe the bracketed sentences in a paragraph. Mention the type of construction, the verb type, and the number and type of participants present in the structure. (2 sentences)

1. [Many machines were invented about that time]

2. [More and more factories were built]

(E) Say whether the following statement is true or false. Justify your answer and provide examples.

The external argument is obligatory in the Passive Structure.

(F) Why is the following sentence ungrammatical?

*It happened something terrible.