

Article Assignment

“Reform and the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire”

1. When and where did the Triangle fire occur?
2. How many people died in the fire?
3. Describe the hazardous conditions for the workers at the Triangle Company. List **at least five** examples of conditions which contributed to the deaths of these workers.
4. What options did the workers have once the fire spread? List **at least three**.
5. What problems did the NY Fire Department have in dealing with the blaze?
6. What were the results of a waistmakers strike in 1909?
7. What one demand did they make after the fire?
8. Who did many NY organizations say was responsible for the fire?
9. What resolution was made at a meeting on April 2 at the Metropolitan Opera House?
10. What was the purpose of a commission organized after this meeting? How active was it in the first year?
11. What were the two major problems that led to the Triangle deaths according to the commission?
12. Give four examples of corrective acts that were passed after the investigation of the Triangle fire.
13. Give examples of four laws passed after 1912 designed to prevent future tragedies.
14. How did new laws also deal with child labor?
15. Read the last page. Do you agree with the final sentence? Why or why not?