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Industries and Inventions

A. Reading and Understanding: Fill in the table by naming the inventor or innovator with his contribution to industry. Then briefly describe each invention.

Inventor	Invention / Innovation	Description
1. Richard Arkwright	_____	_____
2. _____	Steam-powered water pump	_____
3. _____	_____	Separated cotton fibers from hard seed casing, making cotton production more efficient
4. Henry Bessemer	_____	_____
5. _____	Steam Locomotive	_____
6. _____	Telegraph	_____
7. Thomas Edison	Incandescent Light Bulb	_____

B. Thinking Question: How did each of these inventions affect the development of the factory system and the way businesses were run? Other industries? City growth? People's everyday lives? Choose one or two of these inventions and write a thoughtful paragraph.