



## Child Slavery : All For Profit

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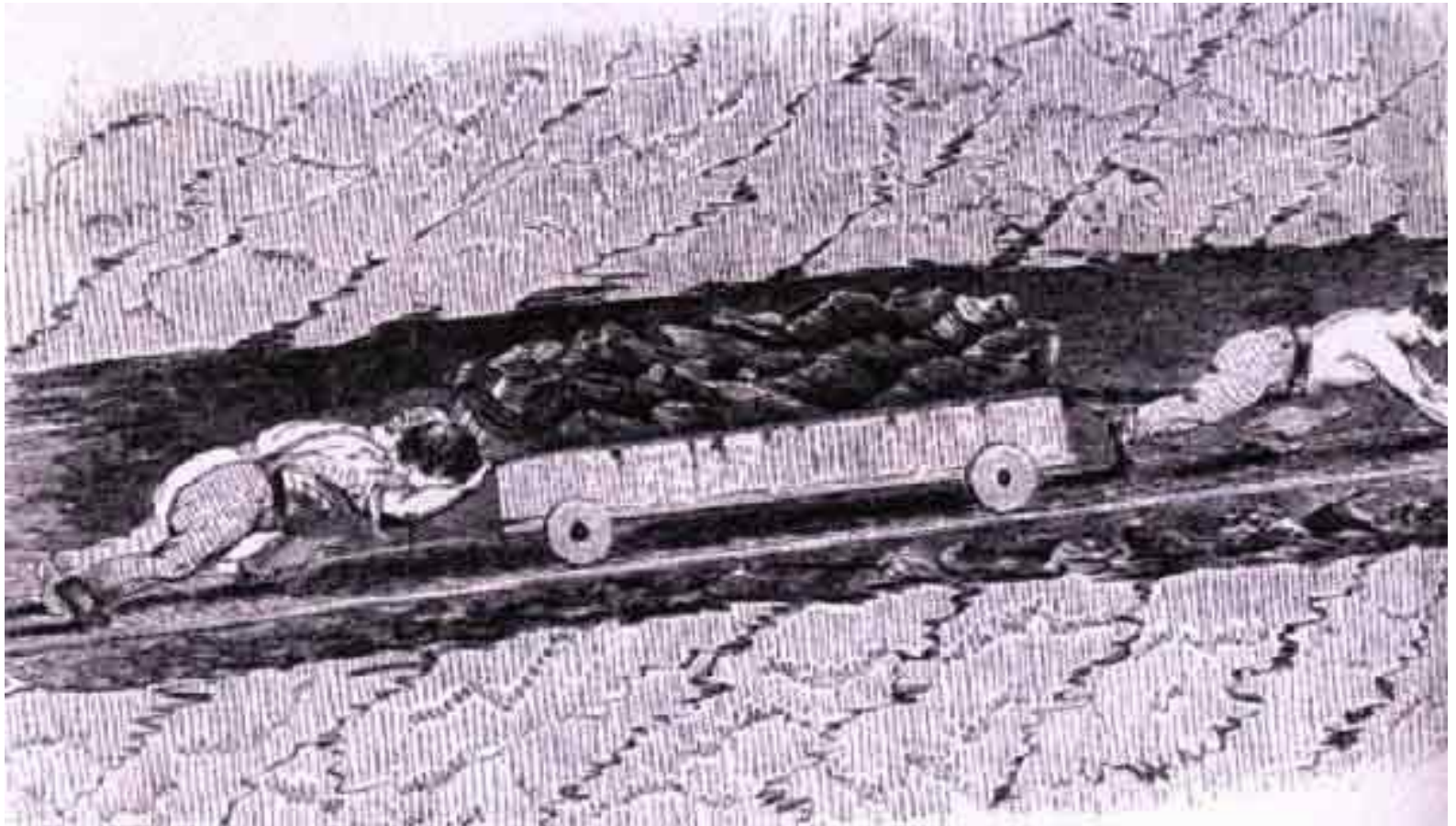
In this lesson we will be exploring children's rights and how they are sometimes abused.



**All for Profit**

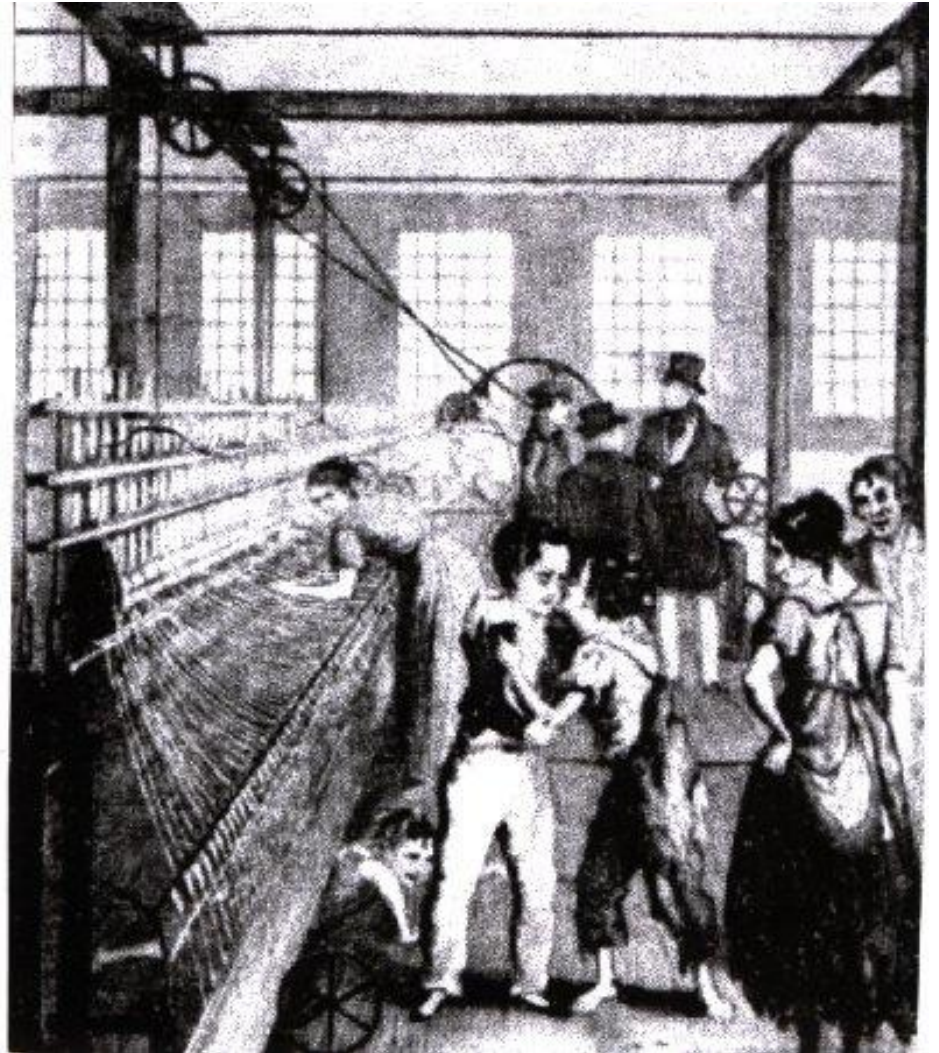


If you had been born two centuries ago, you may have had to work in the mines.





Or in the mills,  
where you might  
have had a job  
cleaning the  
machinery.



You might have started working at the age of four or five.

You would have seen little fresh air, and had no time to play.

The work would probably have been dangerous, and you would have been harshly treated by your overseer.

You would have earned scarcely enough money to pay for your food.



Now, in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, children expect a happier childhood.



They have the right to education, and the right to play .....





**but are these rights always fulfilled?**



Sadly, an estimated 158 million children aged 5-14 are engaged in child labour - one in six children in the world.



In West Africa children are sold into slavery as domestic servants, for as little as \$15, very often to help pay off the family's debts.



This trafficker is exploiting nine slave children



The parents are told that their child will receive wages, but these are usually taken by the trafficker.

The children often suffer abuse at the hand of their masters.





In South East Asia parents are tricked into believing that their child will be given training and a good job.

They are led to believe that their child is being given an opportunity to escape poverty.





However, it is only the factory owners who profit.

They use the free labour to make cheap goods for people in countries like Britain and America.

In South Asia, 44 million are engaged in child labour.





Many children work for 21 hours, seven days a week, sometimes in silence.

They often eat, sleep and work in the same room.

All doors are guarded, and the windows are barred to prevent escape.



Children often lose their eyesight in the poorly lit sweatshops, or damage their lungs in work places which are full of dust and fumes ...



Sometimes child workers are kidnapped, or lured away with presents.

They are not strong enough to stand up to their bosses.



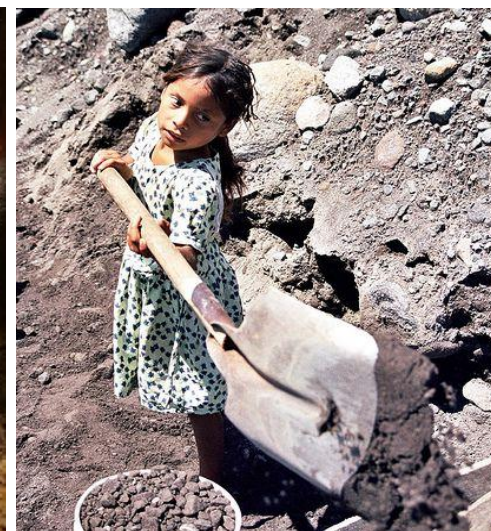


These children are used as free labour by the fishermen of Lake Volta in Ghana. They have to survive on cassava, they aren't allowed to eat any of the fish they catch.





Child slaves are sometimes recruited to work in stone quarries and mines, and suffer terrible injuries as a result of the back breaking work ...



Many of these children have lost their parents to Aids.





Very small children are taken to countries far from their homes, to perform for the amusement of adults. This little boy is a camel jockey.



These children are working as soldiers by order of their government, which is putting their lives in peril.



Did you know that children as young as 6 are brought to Britain by traffickers from Eastern Europe, China and Africa, and sent out to beg, work in restaurants and sweatshops?





# So what can be done?

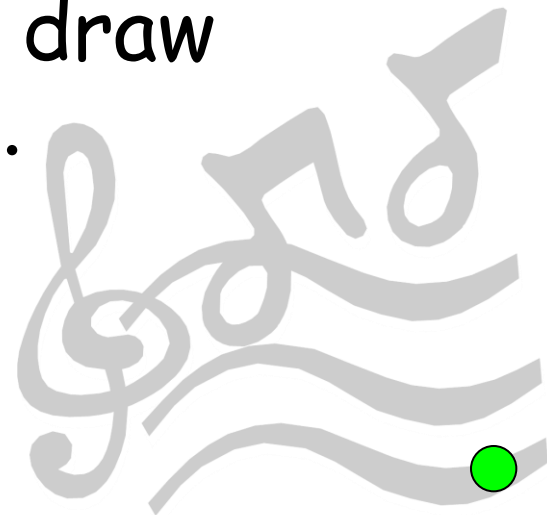
Anti-slavery International collects information so that people will support them in putting pressure on the governments of the countries where slavery and slave trafficking is taking place, to STOP them.



UNICEF is a world organisation which is dedicated to protecting children from violence, abuse, exploitation.

Robbie Williams has helped them with their campaign against child slavery.

Celebrities are often used to draw attention to important issues.



Save the Children and Comic Relief  
recognise that the underlying problem is

**Poverty.**

They have funded projects in Africa  
involving boys and girls aged 11-18 years  
in sheep rearing and market gardening.



Children involved in sheep rearing are given a lamb to fatten, along with feed and training in animal care.

Once the sheep has been sold, children are allowed to keep the profit and, if they wish, to reinvest it in another animal.



Children are given a plot of land, gardening tools, seeds, basic gardening skills training and water pumps. Once the vegetables have been harvested, they are eaten by children's families or sold for a profit at local markets.





All of the children involved in these activities receive literacy training.



# On March 25<sup>th</sup> 1807 the Slave Trade was abolished in the British Colonies

Over 200 years later, activists, inspired by the courage of men like Olaudah Equiano, are urging world leaders to free all children from bondage and make slavery a thing of the past.



So what rights do you think all  
children should have?



# Surely all children have the right to:

- be cared for, if possible by their family
- health care
- clean water
- nutritious food
- clean environment
- protection from violence
- education
- relax and play
- express their views about what should happen to them
- think and believe what they want
- privacy



# Glossary

- **exploit** - make use of
- **abuse** - treat badly
- **profit** - gain (usually money)
- **slave** - someone owned, and forced to work, for the benefit of another.
- **trafficker** - someone who sells things (usually illegally)
- **survive** - stay alive
- **recruit** - to take on or hire



# Useful Web Links

- Free lesson plans on child labour  
[http://news.bbc.co.uk/cbbcnews/hi/teachers/citizenship\\_11\\_14/subject\\_areas/human\\_rights/newsid\\_1794000/1794309.stm](http://news.bbc.co.uk/cbbcnews/hi/teachers/citizenship_11_14/subject_areas/human_rights/newsid_1794000/1794309.stm)
- A short film presentation about child labour by the ILO (UN International Labour Organisation) -  
<http://www.ilo.org/public/english/bureau/inf/wdacl/english.htm>
- Free teaching resources and info on child mining in Victorian Britain  
[http://www.history.org.uk/resources/primary\\_resources\\_134.html](http://www.history.org.uk/resources/primary_resources_134.html)  
<http://www.channel4.com/learning/microsites/Q/qca/victorians/>
- The story of children freed from child slavery in Nigeria  
[http://news.bbc.co.uk/cbbcnews/hi/newsid\\_4280000/newsid\\_4283100/4283107.stm](http://news.bbc.co.uk/cbbcnews/hi/newsid_4280000/newsid_4283100/4283107.stm)
- Robbie Williams begs for an end to child labour  
[http://news.bbc.co.uk/cbbcnews/hi/world/newsid\\_3018000/3018802.stm](http://news.bbc.co.uk/cbbcnews/hi/world/newsid_3018000/3018802.stm)



# More Useful Web Links

- SOS: Children in Conflict – SOS Children’s Villages presents learning resources based on examples of their work rehabilitating child soldiers  
<http://www.child-soldier.org/child-soldier-resources>
- Resources for teachers and children about refugees  
<http://www.refugeeeducation.co.uk/>
- Classroom resources on child slavery <http://www.antislavery.org>

