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Terms:

_Inventor:_ someone who is the first to think of or make something

_Entrepreneur:_ someone who organizes resources to bring a new or better good or service to market in hopes of earning a profit

New Technologies and the impact on society:

- The _cotton gin_ was invented by _Eli Whitney_. It _increased_ the production of cotton and thus increased the need for _slave_ labor to cultivate and _pick_ the cotton.

- _Jo Anderson_ (a slave) and _Cyrus McCormick_ worked to invent the _reaper_. McCormick was an entrepreneur who brought the reaper to market. The reaper increased the _productivity_ of the American farmer.

- The _steamboat_ was improved by the entrepreneur, _Robert Fulton_. It eventually provided _faster_ river transportation that connected _Southern_ plantations and farms to _Northern_ industries and Western territories.

- The _steam locomotive_ provided _faster_ land transportation.

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