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## Inventors and Innovators of the Industrial Revolution: Shaping a New World

### Short Answer Key

1. James Watt perfected the steam engine, making it more efficient and practical, which powered various industries during the Industrial Revolution.
2. Eli Whitney's cotton gin significantly sped up the process of separating cotton fibers from seeds, making cotton production more profitable.
3. Samuel Morse's invention of the telegraph system allowed messages to be transmitted quickly over long distances, revolutionizing communication.
4. Thomas Edison's work laid the groundwork for modern electricity, including the invention of the incandescent light bulb.
5. Alexander Graham Bell invented the telephone, enabling verbal communication over long distances.

