



Suggested Reading List Before Your Visit:

These books offer a comprehensive exploration of the Industrial Revolution, workers' rights movements, and the pivotal role of figures like George Edwin McNeill in shaping labor history in the United States.

"George Edwin McNeill and the Triangle Fire: The Struggle for Worker Rights in New York City" by Richard Greenwald

This biography of George Edwin McNeill focuses on his role in advocating for worker rights and his involvement in the aftermath of the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory fire, offering insights into labor activism during the early 20th century.

"A People's History of the United States" by Howard Zinn

Zinn's classic text offers an alternative perspective on American history, highlighting the experiences of marginalized groups, including workers, during pivotal moments such as the Industrial Revolution and labor movements.

"Rise of the Labor Movement in America" by David Montgomery

Montgomery's comprehensive study traces the evolution of the labor movement in the United States from its early origins through the Industrial Revolution, examining key figures, events, and labor struggles.

"The Jungle" by Upton Sinclair

Sinclair's exposé of the meatpacking industry in early 20th century Chicago sheds light on the harsh working conditions faced by immigrant laborers and the need for labor reform.

"Labor's Untold Story" by Richard Boyer and Herbert Morais

This book provides a detailed account of the labor movement in the United States, from the struggles of early workers to the formation of labor unions and the fight for workers' rights.

"Solidarity Forever: An Oral History of the IWW" by Stewart Bird, Dan Georgakas, and Deborah Shaffer

Through oral histories and firsthand accounts, this book offers insight into the Industrial Workers of the World (IWW) and their efforts to organize workers across industries during the early 20th century.

"A History of America in Ten Strikes" by Erik Loomis

Loomis explores pivotal labor strikes throughout American history, including events during the Industrial Revolution, highlighting their impact on workers' rights and labor relations.

"The Lowell Offering: Writings by New England Mill Women (1840-1845)" edited by Benita Eisler

This collection of writings by female mill workers in Lowell, Massachusetts, provides firsthand accounts of their experiences, struggles, and efforts to advocate for better working conditions.

"Labor's Great War: The Struggle for Industrial Democracy and the Origins of Modern American Labor Relations, 1912-1921" by Joseph A. McCartin

McCartin examines the tumultuous period surrounding World War I and its impact on labor relations in the United States, including the rise of labor activism and government responses to worker demands.