

Certificate in Co-operative Studies

History and Development of the Co-operative Movement

National 5 Assessment - Teacher's Notes

Learning Outcome 1: Investigate when, where and how co-operatives started and how they developed during the 18th and 19th century.

Performance Criteria 1.2:

Justify the claim that Robert Owen is 'the father of the co-operative movement'.

Assessment Strategy

In order to achieve PC 1.2, the student must give a clear written explanation.

PC 1.2 will be achieved by creating an extended, detailed biography of Robert Owen.

This will correspond with the National 4 assessment PC 1.1, so should aid dual level teaching.

Using the assessment sheet provided, the student must identify key aspects of Robert Owen's life and work and suggest why he is the 'father of the co-operative movement'. Appropriate dates and places of significance must be given.

The minimum standard required for passing PC 1.2 will be a detailed explanation of who is he; when was he born; where is he from; how he became involved in the co-operative movement; what contribution he made.

By doing the assessment this way, PC 1.1 will be partially covered and should be accredited as such.

This assessment can be written up or word-processed.

It can be completed as part of an on-going lesson of work or as a separate 'silent' assessment.

Time allowed to complete assessment - 1 hour.

Some useful websites for information both for teachers and students include:

<http://www.spartacus.schoolnet.co.uk/>

<http://teacher.beecoop.co.uk/?q=book/export/html/379>

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National 5 Assessment - Student Assessment Guide

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Performance Criteria 1.2:

Justify the claim that Robert Owen is ‘the father of the co-operative movement’.

You are being asked to create a detailed **biography** of Robert Owen.

You must mention:

- When he was born
- Where he was born / grew up
- Early education
- Profession
- His work at New Lanark

You must also justify the claim that Robert Owen is ‘the father of the co-operative movement’ by explaining his contribution to the movement.

You have 1 hour to complete the assessment.

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National 5 Assessment - Marking Scheme

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Performance Criteria 1.2:

Justify the claim that Robert Owen is ‘the father of the co-operative movement’.

In order to achieve PC1.2 (and work towards achieving PC1.1), information such as that which follows is **essential**:

Date and place of birth: Robert Owen was born in [Newtown](#), a small market town in [Wales](#), in 1771.

Early Education: gifted at school but had to leave at age 10

Profession: Worked in a drapers

- Became interested in textile factories as a potential way of manufacturing cloth.

CONTRIBUTION TO THE CO-OPERATIVE MOVEMENT:

Work at New Lanark:

- Purchased New Lanark factories and houses.
- Built a school and refused to employ children under 10.
- Owen opened a store where the people could buy goods of high quality at little more than wholesale cost.
- He sold quality goods and passed on the savings from the bulk purchase of goods to the workers.
- He set up a savings institution

(for a pass in PC 1.2, 4 points out of the 5 given would be sufficient)

'Father of Co-operative Movement': The principles of good quality
produce for working people at a fair market price
became the basis for the co-operative shops in
Britain that continue to trade today.
Any profit that was made was used to benefit
the workers.

Although the above points are all that is needed to achieve PC1.2 teachers should use their professional judgement about any other possible points / pieces of information that fit in with the performance criteria and credit should be given for them.

A specific mark is not necessary but can be given at the teacher's discretion.

Each element of the performance criteria must be passed before the full learning outcome can be given.

In the event that a student does not pass, they are entitled to 2 re-sit opportunities.

Robert Owen- Biography

QuickTime™ and a
decompressor
are needed to see this picture.

NAME: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____

PLACE OF BIRTH: _____

EARLY EDUCATION:

PROFESSION:

CONTRIBUTION TO THE CO-OPERATIVE MOVEMENT:

NEW LANARK:

HOW JUSTIFIED IS THE CLAIM THAT ROBERT OWEN IS 'THE FATHER OF THE
CO-OPERATIVE MOVEMENT'?
