

“The Path” Movie Guide

Opener / Warm Up Activity Directions - Fill in the columns of the K-W Chart below with what you know about “The Pemberton Mill Tragedy and what you want to know.

K-W Chart: Pemberton Mill Tragedy

What do you Know about the topic?	What do you Want to know?

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Directions: After watching each part of the movie, stop and answer the guided viewing questions.

<u>The Path Part Descriptions:</u> Path Movie Segment Descriptions Courtesy of tourlawrence.org	<u>Guided Viewing Questions</u>
<p><u>Part 1:Introduction-</u> Standing at the Honeycomb Path sign outside the Everett Mill, you’ll meet your guide, Janet. She’ll introduce you to the city and to Catherine and Ellen Hannon, two sisters who were working in the Pemberton Mill when it collapsed in 1860.</p>	<p>1. Paula Wood says in the video “<i>I just love finding out this stuff and getting the answers to the puzzles,</i>” explain why investigating historical events, like the Pemberton Mill Tragedy, is compared to solving a puzzle.</p> <p>2. Predict- What do you think happened to Catherine Hannon and Ellen Hannon?</p>
<p><u>Part 2 :Everett Mill-</u> Start at the massive Everett Mill to imagine how it must have felt for rural immigrants like Catherine and Ellen Hannon to move to a new country and settle in an industrial hive.</p>	<p><u>3. Partner Pair Share:</u> View the picture below. Find the three people in the middle of the picture looking out at Lawrence, now imagine you are one of people. <u>Option #1</u> “Turn & Talk”- Turn to you partner and act out a possible conversation they might have been having. <u>Option #2</u> Write what you think the people in the picture are saying to each other.</p>



4. **Predict :** Why do you think the narrator brings you to the Everett Mill ? Why do you think she is taking you to the third floor?

Part 3: The Mill Floor-

Go up the elevator and explore the third floor of the Everett Mill. Imagine it filled with workers and heavy machinery. Compare this floor layout to the one that existed in the Pemberton Mill.

5. Close your eyes, Imagine you are Catherine, describe your experience at work. Sounds, smell, sights, etc. (Note- play [Factory simulation sounds](#))

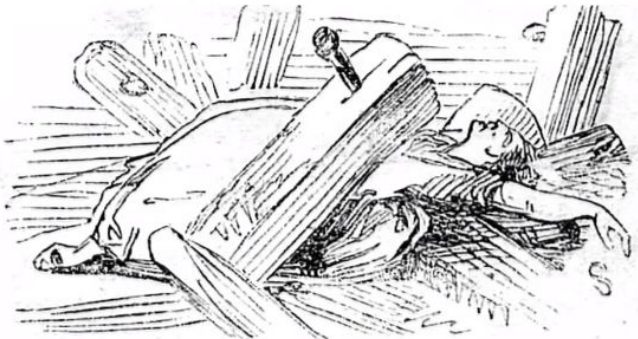
6. Do you think you would have liked working at the Mill? Why or why not?

Part 4: The Lawrence History Center-

Across the street at the Lawrence History Center you'll hear how the city was started from scratch by the Essex Company. And you'll begin to see how good intentions paved the way to unintended consequences.

7. Name a few steps the Essex Company took to create the city of Lawrence.

8. Explain why the mill owners wanted to start hiring Irish immigrants versus the young ladies from nearby New England towns?

<p>Part 5: Pemberton Mill- Go down Union Street to the Pemberton Mill where you can hear what happened to Catherine and Ellen Hannon as disaster struck.</p>	<p>9.Observe the picture below, how does this picture make you feel?</p>  <p>10. Describe what happened to Catherine and Ellen.</p> <p>11.How would you describe Catherine's actions? Would you take this risk?</p> <p>12. What happened later during the rescue efforts that ultimately led to the death of the majority of people who were victims of the Pemberton Mill Collapse?</p>
<p>Part 6:The Aftermath- Walk to the south end of the bridge to see the building that served as a temporary morgue in the wake of the disaster.</p>	<p>13. Do you think the mill owners were wrong for using material from the wreckage of the Pemberton Mill to rebuild a new mill in the exact location? Why or why not? Explain your answer.</p> <p>14. What does the response to the Pemberton Tragedy tell you about the time period?</p>
<p>Part 7: Visitor Center- Down Canal Street and inside the Lawrence Heritage State Park Visitor's Center you can see an original piece of the faulty column that led to the destruction of the old Pemberton Mill.</p>	<p>15. A year later the census shows Ellen was again an operative in the Mill, what is your reaction to this discovery?</p> <p>16.What evidence does Ellen and Catherine's story leave for us to discover about the working conditions in Lawrence, Massachusetts during the 19th century?</p>

Assignment -Imagine you lived in the boarding house and saw the Pemberton Mill collapse. Write a short letter home to your family about the disaster and how it impacted you.