

Document A

The following photograph shows a group of “breaker boys” who were employed at a coal mine in northeastern Pennsylvania. The job of a breaker boy was to separate rocks and minerals from coal that had just been mined from the ground. They would typically use their bare hands to pick rocks from the coal.



Title: *Breaker boys working in Ewen Breaker of Pennsylvania Coal Co.*

Location: South Pittston, Pennsylvania.

Date: January 1911

Photographer: Lewis Hine

Document B

The document below shows breaker boys at work in Pennsylvania. The coal would travel through a chute below them and they would pick rocks from the coal as it passed.



Title: *A view of the Pennsylvania Breaker. The dust was so dense at times as to obscure the view. This dust penetrates the utmost recess of the boys' lungs.*

Location: South Pittston, Pennsylvania.

Date: January 1911

Photographer: Lewis Hine

Document C

In the following photograph, Hine featured a young “driver” named Arthur Havard (pictured in the middle of the front row). Mines in this region of the country were deep in the ground and the coal needed to be hauled to the surface. Drivers would lead mules pulling carts full of coal out of the mines.



Title: *Arthur Havard, a young driver, Shaft #6, Pennsylvania Coal Company.*

Location: South Pittston, Pennsylvania.

Date: December 1910

Photographer: Lewis Hine

Document D

The photograph below shows a young driver leading a mule in a mine shaft. To his left is an adult driver sitting on a type of steam engine that was also used to haul coal from mines.



Title: *Mule power and motor power. A Young Driver, Shaft #6, Pennsylvania Coal Company.*

Location: Pittston, Pennsylvania.

Date: January 1911

Photographer: Lewis Hine