Shale Oil Industry Timeline Worksheet 1

Answer these questions.

1. Who first created the process to remove oil from a special type of coal?

2. What did the Scottish oil companies join together to form?

3. Why was the imported oil a threat to Scottish shale oil?

4. What did the government introduce to try to help the Scottish shale oil industry?

5. What was so important about 1862?

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6. Why was it important to not be dependent on foreign imported oil in the event of a war?

7. What was the most successful shale oil company in Scotland?

8. What is paraffin?

9. Where was the first oilwork to use oil-shale instead of coal?

10. Why do you think the oil lamp fuel before 1850 would have been smelly?

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