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Teacher Key

1. What is a strike, and how does it give one group of people power?

A strike is when a group of workers refuse to work. Strikes give workers power because refusing to work brings production to a stop, and when production comes to a stop, the company will make less money. Strikes force companies to listen to worker demands.

2. What kind of rules and rights might a nurse's union support?

Answers may vary: A nurse's union might support shorter shifts or better hours, safe technologies for things like fire alarms and smoke detectors, better security practices, breaks, help with violent patients, better pay, benefits, and more.

3. How have children been affected by the rise of labor unions?

Answers may vary: Children are no longer workers. Before the rise of labor unions children would not always go to school, but they would go to work. Once at work, the children might work any amount of time. Not going to work allows children to go to school, play, socialize, and have healthy lives.

