

## Lesson 1

## READ THIS STORY #1, Advanced

**The Assembly Line**

**At the beginning of the last century, very few families could afford to buy a car. Henry Ford was not the first man to construct a car, but he was the first one to build an inexpensive vehicle that the common man could afford to buy.**

**He opened a factory to manufacture cars, and he organized the first assembly line. A car would be constructed step by step until it was finished. As it moved past a line of workers and machines, each worker would add one part or do just one necessary task.**

**The factory produced Model-A cars at an amazingly rapid rate and sold them for a low price. The practice of using a factory assembly line transformed the car industry.**