

SAMPLE WORKING TRANSCRIPT

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I mean, if I'm to say to you that the machine gun was a typical product of nineteenth century capitalism, would you say it was?

EXPERT:

Yes. Certainly. I'd say it was a typical product of nineteenth century capitalism. It was a product of the... Industrial Revolution. It, in some senses, could be said to have pre-saged twentieth century capitalism in terms of it being one of those industrial products of the last half of the nineteenth century that was about automation,

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that was about reducing the role of the actual human agent, and increasing the role of the machine in relation to the human agent's activity. And... and I guess, taking some of the discretion of the soldier. Not only enhancing the speed, but taking some of the discretion of the soldier and investing in the machine. So, it was very much a... both in terms of its material, its construction, but also in terms of labour process associated with it, we can see soldiering as a... labour process. It was an archetypal industrial product.