*Gold Fever: Big History Video 3*

1. What is Fort Knox?
2. How much gold is in Fort Knox?
3. Why is gold worth anything to humans?
4. Where is gold found?
5. Why does it appear to “glisten”?
6. How is gold “hardwired” into us as valuable? What did humans 200,000 years ago look for while exploring new territory?
7. Why did ancient civilizations see gold as the king of medals? Why is it “eternal”?
8. What happened 2500 yrs ago that changed how humans viewed gold?
9. What are the 7 metals known to early humans and why was gold the one with the highest value?
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16. What was represented on gold coins?
17. Where is Earth’s “secret supply” of gold?
18. How did it get there?
19. Why can’t we get at it?
20. How did gold come to the surface?
21. How did people in the Americas view gold? What did they use it for?
22. How did people in Europe view gold? What did they use it for?
23. What drove the Spanish to explore?
24. What was the collision of cultures that the film talked about?
25. What did the Spanish do with the gold from the Americas?
26. Marshall and Sutter discovered gold in a stream in California in 1848. Their discovery sparked what?
27. The California gold rush led to other gold rushes where?
28. The film states that the world was ripped apart by geography but united by desire. Explain what this means.