Gold rushes in Australia Worksheet – World Book Discover

Simplified Article

Read about the Australian gold rushes in World Book Discover and answer the questions below.

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1. What is a gold rush?
2. In which year was gold discovered at Lewis Ponds Creek near Bathurst?
3. Why was the discovery near Bathurst important?
4. Where was gold discovered in Victoria in 1851? Name one place.
5. Why did many workers leave their jobs to go to the gold fields?
6. By early 1852, where were people travelling from to search for gold?
7. Which Australian state was the leading producer of gold until the 1890s?
8. Name the two Western Australian towns where gold was discovered in 1892 and 1893.
9. Describe two ways the gold rushes changed Australia.
    a) _____
    b) _____
10. Why do you think the gold rushes were important to Australia's economy?

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Extension activity!

Imagine you are a child living during the gold rushes in Australia. Write two sentences describing what you might see or experience.