Gold Rushes in Australia Worksheet – World Book Discover (Detailed article)

Gold rushes in Australia were movements of large numbers of people to places in Australia where gold had been discovered. Find information on the gold rushes on World Book Online and see if you can find the answers to the following questions!

Find It!

1. What was the name of the creek where Edward Hargraves successfully found grains of gold?
2. In which state did the discovery of gold in 1851 cause workers to leave their jobs and rushed to the gold fields?
3. What type of gold did the gold seekers first mine?
4. What was the device called that the miners used to wash away the soil and extract the gold?
5. How much was a gold mining licence?
6. In October 1854, which hotel did the miners burn down?
7. Who did the miners elect as their leader?
8. About how many miners were killed at the Eureka Stockade?
9. Where was the richest discovery of gold found in Queensland in 1872?
10. When did a new gold rush start in fields around Coolgardie and Kalgoorlie in Western Australia?

Did You Know?

- The discovery of gold transformed Australia's economy and society. Gold stimulated the production and distribution of goods.

Learn More!

- View the map with the location of gold rushes in Australia during the 1800's.
- See a picture of a gold mining settlement.
- Read more about the Eureka Stockade.