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America: The Story of Us

(Episode 4: The Division)

1. What is the biggest construction project in the western world in the last 4,000 years?
2. Who is the man behind the project?
3. What do crews use to move the mountain that is so highly explosive near the massive project?
4. Name a village along the project route that turns into one of the most dynamic U.S. cities featured on the map at that time?
5. What happened to New York City as a result of the project's construction?
6. What word was invented as a result of the money surrounding events in New York City?
7. How long did it take to separate one(1) pound of cotton from the seed by hand?
8. How much more cotton could one person process with the help of the cotton gin?
9. What happened to the need for slaves following the incorporated use of the cotton gin?
10. What new machine turned raw cotton into a finished cloth that helped to create the modern factory system?
11. How much were women paid per week working in the Lowell Mills?

12. How can someone trace the technology of looms to computer use today?
13. What was used to power lights at night during the antebellum era?
14. What modern day organization still uses this power to operate the Hubble Space telescope?
15. What percentage of African Americans in the U.S. are slaves during the Antebellum Era?
16. Why did Frederick Douglas have a better chance at escaping to freedom than other slaves?
17. What was a slave's best chance for successfully escaping to freedom?
18. What law in September 1850 indirectly made it so no African American was really safe anywhere they resided?
19. What book was published in 1852 that becomes the bestselling book of the century following the Bible?
20. Who is the one man in Kansas that will stop at nothing to guarantee the abolishment of slavery?
21. What ultimately happens to this man after his failed attempt to start a slave revolt at Harper's Ferry?